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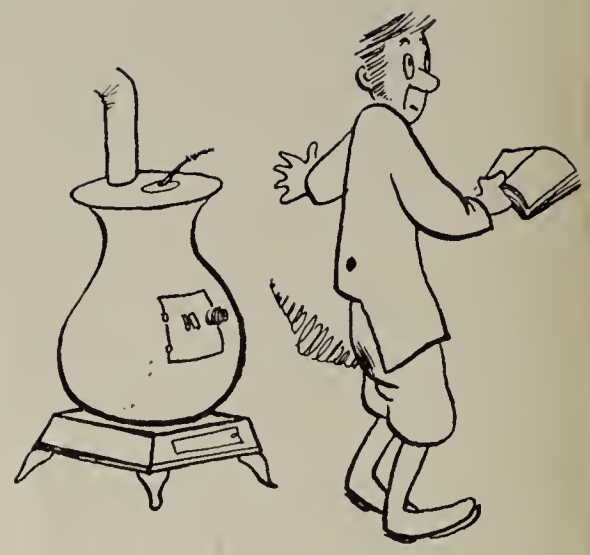

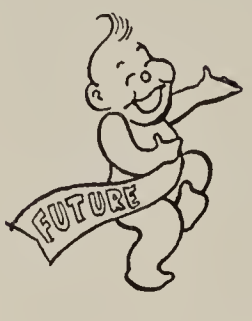
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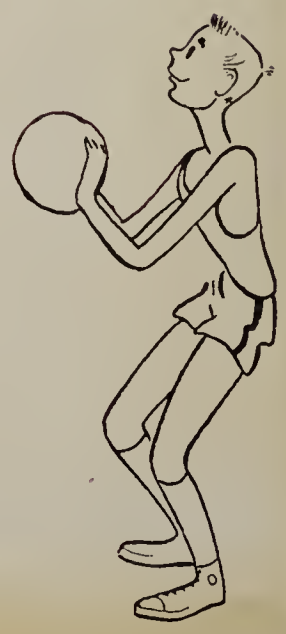

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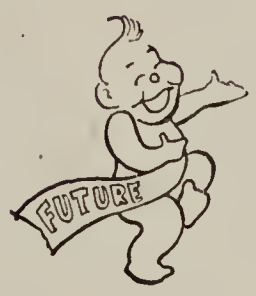

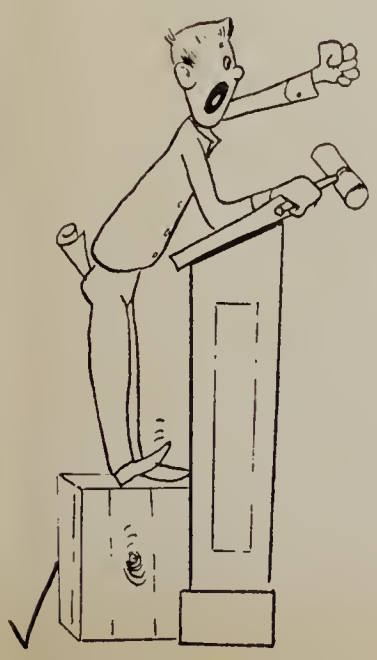

Tom Brown

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diamond jubilee

BLUFFTON HIGH SCHOOL

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

* As time goes by

Yesterday's Dreams Are Today's Realities

This is our Diamond Jubilee, a year and a time representing seventy-five years of life in the halls of Bluffton High School. Although the buildings were different, the halls still ring with laughter and each graduating class has its precious memories. Our lives, too, have been affected by these changes, for we have added our part to these seventy-five years. We have had happy smiles and sometimes tears; but these years, like the diamond, will be cherished and treasured forever.

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We Present the Diamond Cutters.

FACULTY

Superintendent

The students of Bluffton High School and the three city grade schools have welcomed into their hearts our new superintendent, Mr. Prible. We sincerely appreciate his services in our behalf. Our best wishes to you, Mr. Prible, as you continue to strive for a well-balanced educational system.

We Depend on these

Principal

Always ready to help students and teachers, Mr. Park keeps our school running smoothly. The student council, the Comet staff, and the Retrospect business managers work under his guidance. His friendly manner, witty ways, and serious thinking have led us successfully through our high school years.

School Board

Dr. H. D. Briekley has shown his interest in youth by serving on the school board for sixteen years. Dr. Brickley is now president of the school board. He is one of Bluffton's leading physicians.

Mr. John H. Edris is also interested in the education of youth. Mr. Edris is treasurer of the school board. Mr. Edris is a lawyer in the Edris and Edris law firm.

Mr. Craven Emshwiller is serving his second year on the school board. He is secretary of the board. Mr. Emshwiller is a local tax accountant.

Directors of Destinies.

Secretaries

These effieient seeretaries, Mrs. Dotterer and Mrs. Rix, are a constant help to our two chief administrators. Whether they are writing passes or making out important papers, they will give their attention to any of our problems.

Mary E. Beitler

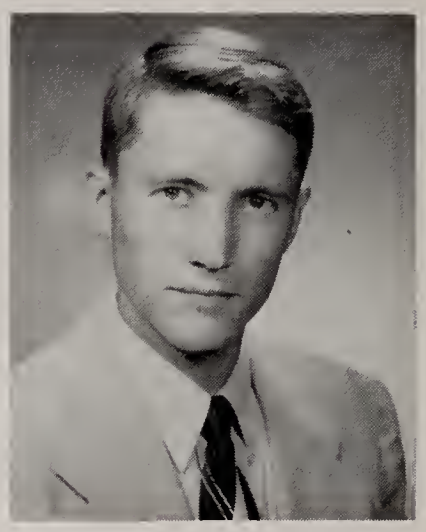
B.S., M.S., Ball State Teachers College; English, Girls Physical Education and Health; G.A.A. Sponsor; Assistant Class Play Director; Senior Class Sponsor.

Robert N. Bennett

B.M., Butler University; Ball State Teachers College; Ticket Chairman; Senior Class Sponsor.

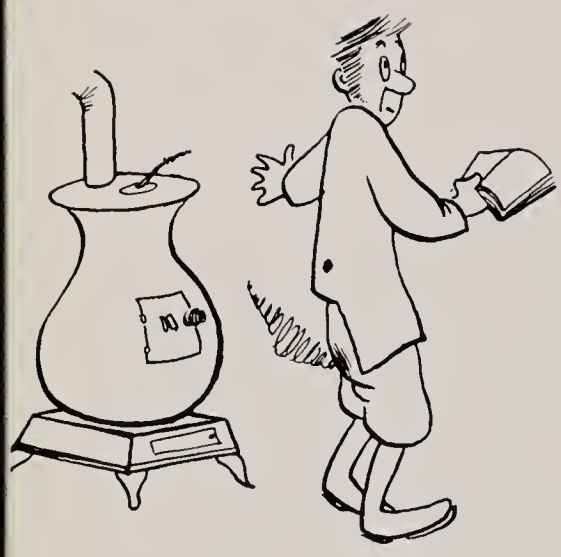
Lois S. Bodkin

A.B., Indiana State Teachers College; Latin and English; Latin Club Sponsor; Assistant Class Play Director; Freshman Class Sponsor.



Ralph A. Broman

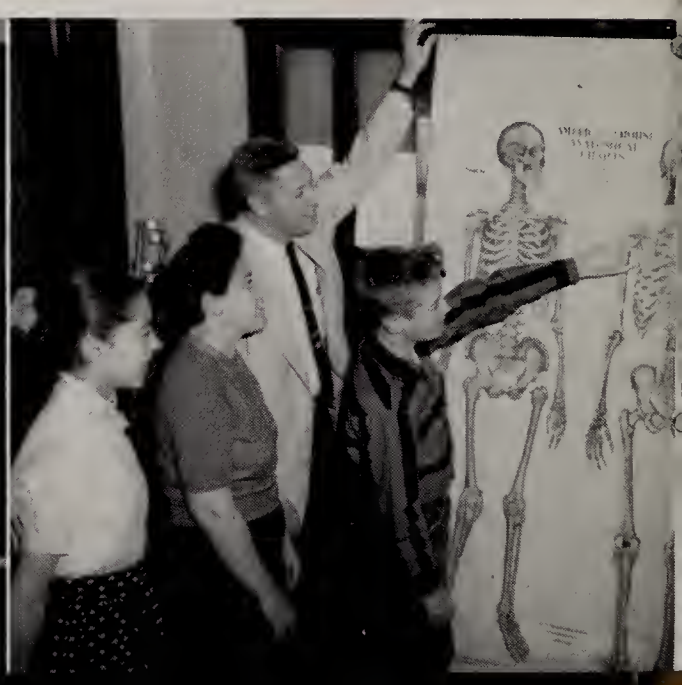
A.B., Ball State Teachers College; Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry; Sponsor of Arc of Alpha Science Club.



Genevieve Christian

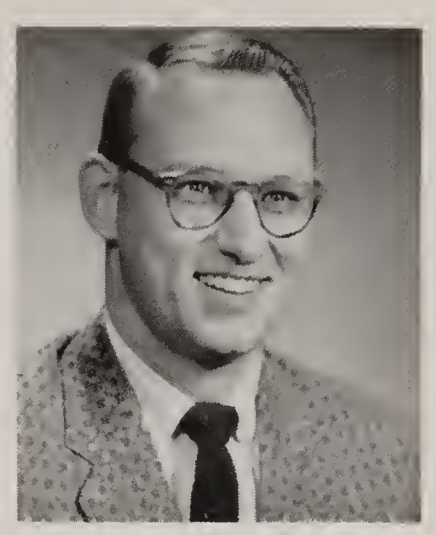
B.S., M.A., Ball State Teachers College; Library Science; Assistant Class Play Director; Sponsor of Student Librarians.

Our Busy Faculty Works for Us.



Beverly Conwell

B.M.E., Indiana University; Vocal Music; Director of Girls Chorus and Mixed Chorus.



Eugene Edington

B.S., M.S., Ball State Teachers College; Biology and Driver Training; Intramural Basketball Sponsor; Junior Class Sponsor.

Jane Elsmere

B.S., Manchester College; English and Speech; Quill and Scroll Sponsor; Retrospect Advisor; Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Chad Fornshell

B.S., Indiana University; Driver Training and Biology; Assistant Basketball and Baseball Coach; Freshman Class Sponsor.

Herbert E. Hoffman

B.S., M.S., Purdue University; Economics, Civics, History, Geography; Football and Track Coach; Junior Class Sponsor.

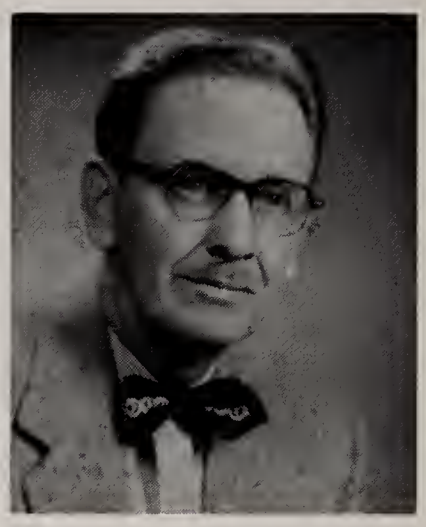
They Help Us Solve Our Problems.

Phyllis Jones

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Vocational Home Economics; Sponsor of Y-Teens; Sponsor of 4-H.

Virgil Kirkpatrick

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Earlham College; English, Health & Safety, and Physical Education; Basketball and Baseball Coach.

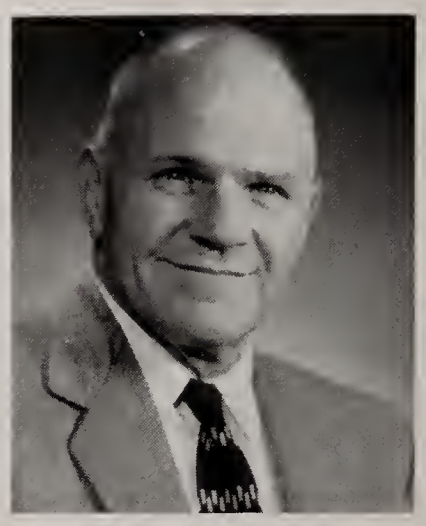


Joseph F. Larmore

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Industrial Arts; Assistant Football Coach; Official Timer; Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Edwin R. McNown

A.B., Indiana University; English and Social Science; Director of Dramatics; Sponsor of Thespian Society; Senior Class Sponsor.



Harold Pettyjohn

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Mathematics; Co-sponsor of Math Club; Freshman Class Sponsor.

We Learn by Doing.

Margaret Powers

A.B., DePauw University; Commerce; Sponsor of the National Honor Society; Junior Class Sponsor.

Arthur Reed

B.M., B.M.E., Indiana University; Instrumental Music; Director of Marching and Concert Band.

Lawrence E. Templin

B.S., Manchester College; Industrial Arts; Director of Athletics and Intramural Program; Freshman Class Sponsor.

Lloyd A. Ulmer

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Social Science; Hi-Y Sponsor; Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Mary E. Wallace

B.S., Ball State Teachers College; Art; Sponsor of the Dabblers.

James E. Woolsey

B.S., Purdue University; Vocational Agriculture; Sponsor of the Future Farmers of America; Sponsor of Junior Class.

Training for Our Future.

Square Cut and Pear Shaped Diamonds.

Upper left: Freshman girls struggling to get their books in their lockers.

Upper right: Juniors purchasing their school supplies at the book store.

Middle left: Sophomores learn to fold the flag the correct way.

Middle right: B. H. S. lettermen show us their best smiles.

Top lower left: These Seniors and Juniors are tired from opening day.

Bottom lower left: Freshman boys receiving their tuberculosis tests.

The Diamond Mines.

CLASSES

DWAN ARNOLD
Known as "Dee," plans to work at the telephone office after school is out. Her hobby is skating. General course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Business Staff of Junior and Senior Plays.

BARBARA BARWILER
"Barb" has no definite plans, but would like to start working as soon as school is out. Her hobbies are collecting records and swimming. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1.

ROBERT BATES
Well known around the Grand Theater, Bob thinks he will stay there awhile. General Industrial Arts. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Basketball 1; Baseball 3; Intramural Basketball 4; Football Mgr. 1, 2, 3; Business Staff of Junior and Senior Plays.

CAROLYN CARDER
Moved here in her Junior year from South Side. Carolyn's hobbies are sewing and reading. Vocational Home Economics. During her Junior year she was on the Business Staff of the Junior Class Play.

DONALD COCHRAN
Don says that his future is one big question mark. He is well known for keeping his teachers on their toes with lots of questions. General course. Latin Club 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1.

DAVID CREEK
Dave's future is with the Navy. After that he plans to attend the Chicago Institute of Technology. His hobby is being a general nuisance. Agriculture course. Student Council 3; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, pres., 4; Football Mgr. 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

On to a Bright New Tomorrow

CAROL CRUMP
Carol plans to stay with Sterling Casting after graduation. Her hobbies are records and ice skating. Her favorite records are by Nat King Cole. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1.

WILLARD CUPP
Better known as "Cuppie" to everyone, he is going to work for Uncle Sam after school is out. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 1, 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 4: Business Staff of Junior and Senior Plays.

EDYTHE DAVIS
"Edie" plans to attend Warner's Beauty College after graduation this spring. She is known for humming in bookkeeping. Her hobby is collecting records. Commercial course. Business Staff of Senior Class Play; Cheer Block 2, 3.

JAMES DAVIS
Jim will be seen on the campus of Indiana University next fall. Academic course. National Honor Society 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4, sec., 4; Latin Club 2; Junior Play; Student Council 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3; Arc of Alpha 4; Senior Rotarian 4.

DONNA EARHART
Donna is usually seen driving a little black Chevy. She is going to continue working at Housers. Collecting records and listening to the radio are her main hobbies. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1.

ELLEN EICHHORN
Ellen is planning to attend Indiana University and Medical Center to take nurse's training. Academic course. Comet 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JEAN EISAMAN
Butler University is the next stop for this cute blonde to study elementary teaching. Her favorite sport is swimming. Academic course. Comet 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4, treas. 4; Cheer Block 1.

ROBERT ELSTON
"Elstie" will find himself marching in Uncle Sam's Army. Bob has plenty of ways to keep study hall buzzing. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 3, 4; Wrestling 1; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Business Staff of Junior and Senior Plays.

EUGENE FREESE
Known to some as "Fuzz," he plans to go to Purdue. General course. Latin Club 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 4; Basketball 1; Football 4; Baseball 4; Track 3; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Business Staff of Junior Class Play.

JAMES GAVIN
"Jim" can usually be found in the halls of B. H. S. clowning it up. He plans to attend college for Aeronautical Engineering. His favorite hobby is tinkering with cars. Industrial Arts. Retrospect Staff; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Arc of Alpha 4;

We Start on a New Journey

LINDA GROSS
"Grossie" has been sporting a diamond since Christmas; her future plans are pretty certain. She thinks she will get further training at I. B. M. School. General course. Comet 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JUDITH GUTHRIE
"Gus" says she has caught the "rock and roll" bug. Her hobby is driving her "green-gobbler." She wants to take further training in business. Commercial course. Comet 2, 3; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Twirler 2, 3, 4; Glee 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1.

WADE HAMMOND
It's pre-med at DePauw for Wade. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; National Honor Society 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; vice-pres. 3, pres. 4; Student Council pres. 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2; Thespian Society 3, 4; State Scholastic Contests 1, 2, Latin; Arc of Alpha vice-pres. 4; Senior Rotarian.

EDWIN HIATT
A medical career beckons "Ed"; he plans to study at Indiana University. He works at the Caylor-Nickel Clinic Hospital now. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; National Honor Society 3, 4, vice-pres. 4; Latin Club 2; State Scholastic Contests 1, 2, Silver Medal; Senior Rotarian.

CAROLYN INGMIRE
"Ingy" plans to get a job saying "number please" at the telephone office after graduation. Her hobbies are skating, swimming, and bowling. She is often seen driving her "spider." Vocational Home Economics. Y-Teens 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3; Cheer Block 1, 2.

DENNY HIGH
Denny's main interest is the ministry. He plans to go to Franklin. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; Comet 4; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Hi-Y 3, 4, treas. 4; Student Council 3; Class vice-pres. 4; Wrestling 2, 3, 4; Senior Rotarian; Rotary Convention.

JERRY HOOK
"Jake" is going to go into the printing business. His hobby is making slow cars go much faster. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Class vice-pres. 1; Class pres. 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Rotarian.

JOHN INSKEEP
Everyone will remember "Kay's" "black bean" buzzing around the school at noon hour. He says he will work in a factory, farm or do carpenter work after commencement. Agricultural course. Hi-Y 2, 3; F. F. A. 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Football 1; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4.

JANET ISCH
Janet will make a good homemaker when the right time comes which should be soon. General course. Retrospect Assistant Editor; Comet 2, 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; National Honor Society 4; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, treas. 1, sec. 2, vice-pres. 3, pres. 4.

REBECCA JOHNSTON
"Becky" plans to go to Denison. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; Comet 1, 2, 3, Editor 3; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 2, 3; Dabblers 2, treas.; Junior Town Meeting 4; D. A. R., Wells County.

From Cream Cords to Caps and Gowns.

MARION JONES
Marion hasn't misspelled one of those weekly spelling words yet! Her hobby is playing the piano. She plans to go to International Business College. General course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Cheer Block 3, 4.

EARL KAHN
Just ask anyone, he will tell you that Earl plans to be a barber. He spends most of his time working at Croy's Grocery. Commercial course. Junior Play; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 4; Wrestling Manager 3.

SHARON KELLER
She is an ardent fan of Elvis Presley. Sharon collects his records for a hobby. She plans to get a job in an office, or go on to a business college. General course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 3, 4.

LARRY KUNKEL
"Kunk" spends most of his time behind the meat counter at Krogers. He plans to go on to school to study accounting. General course. Latin Club 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 4; Wrestling 3; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4.

ELIZABETH LARMORE
"Betsy" will follow in the footsteps of her sister and attend nures's training at St. Joseph. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; Comet 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4, sec. 4; Class sec. 3; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; Dabblers 1.

MARY ANN LEIMGRUBER
Anyone can tell by looking that Mary Ann will make a good student at Raven-Croft Beauty College. Commercial Course. Comet 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3; G. A. A. 1.

BETTY LENOARD
A peppy Yell-Leader with a southern brogue is she, Betty comes from Arkansas. Betty says she has her hopes pinned on a nursing career. General course. Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Student Council 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 2, 3, 4, pres. 4; Cheerleader 3, 4.

JOAN LESH
Joan is known as the lucky girl who visits Florida each year to get a luscious tan. She plans to go on to International Business College. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1; Thespian Society 3, 4.

JULIA LIGGETT
This dazzling blonde will make her boss a really good secretary. "Jud" thinks maybe she will go on to business school to get more training. General course. Senior Play, Prompter; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres.; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2.

RUTH MALMSTROM
Ruth can be heard chattering throughout the halls of B.H.S., since she came to us from Cadillac, Michigan. She came here this summer and really made friends fast. Commercial course. Y-Teens 4; Glee Club 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 4.

Our Diploma is a Passport to the Future.

LARRY MARKLEY
You could usually find Larry at any time during the day trying to find some way to kill time without working. He intends to head for the Navy life. General course. Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Senior Play, Stage Construction.

ALICE MASON
The sparkler on her fourth finger left hand shows what Alice plans after graduation. Says she will work at the Clinic as a switchboard operator after she is married. Collects records. General course. Comet 3; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Cheer Block 1, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2.

BEVERLY MEAD
A busy lass is "Bev." Academic course. Retrospect Editor; Comet 1, 2, 3, Business Manager 3; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4, Treas. 4; Latin Club 2; Class Treas. 1; Cheer Block 1, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Junior Town Meeting 3; Student Librarian 3, 4; Psi Ote Ring; Hoosier Girl's State.

LORETTA MELTON
When summer comes, we will find "Ret" typing away in an office somewhere. She is interested in collecting records and drawing portraits. General course. Junior Play, business staff; Senior Play, Prompter; Retrospect staff; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4.

JANE MEYER
"Janie" is another gal who is headed for the church. She will be married in the fall, but will go on to I.B.M. School. General course. Comet 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3.

TOBY MILHOLLAND
Called "Tob" around B.H.S. Her main interest is sports. She's "real gone" on baseball. Says she will get a secretarial job after commencement. General course. Comet 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3.

KENNETH MILLER
"Skinny Kenny" was usually found behind the scenes of everything that went on in the B.H.S. gym. He was in charge of lighting. Plans an Army career. Industrial Arts. Retrospect Staff; Junior Play, Lighting; Senior Play, Lighting.

YVONNE MITTLESTEDT
"Bugs" is another studious girl who plans to go on to nurse's training. She's going to Ball Memorial. Academic course. Comet 1, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. and Treas.; Thespian Society 3, 4; G. A. A. 2, 3, 4.

MAYNARD MOSER
Known to everyone as "Mo", he plans to go to Eastern Christian Institute at Orange, New Jersey, to train for the ministry. His hobbies are drawing and painting. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1; Track 1, 2; Dabblers 4, Reporter 4.

RUBY MUNSON
It's the business world for "Rube". Commercial course. Retrospect Business Manager; Comets 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4, Pres. 4; Student Council 4, sec. 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Majorette 3, 4; Class Treas. 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4, Treas. 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, Treas. 3.

We Will Never Forget Our B. H. S.

SHIRLEY MC BRIDE
Here is another shorthand whiz. "Mickey" says she may go to comptometer school. Her hobby is skating. She was crowned queen at the Senior Dance. Commercial course. Comet 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

SUZANNE MC FARREN
Listening to records is this girl's hobby. "Sue" says she would like to work in an office after graduation. She was really good in shorthand class. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 2, 3, 4.

PHYLLIS PACE
Can this kid sock a volley ball! "Forgetful Phyl" says she will attend Purdue for a year and then go on to St. Joseph for a nursing career. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2.

DON PARK
Another busy lad that is known to all, he says that he is going to attend Ball State. Academic course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 4; National Honor Society 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Bob Hannie Memorial; Senior Rotarian.

WAYNE PEASE
Wayne came to us from Stuttgart, Germany, where his father was stationed with the Armed Forces as chaplain. After a semester he moved to San Rafael, California. General course. Senior Play; Arc of Alpha 4; Intramural Basketball 4.

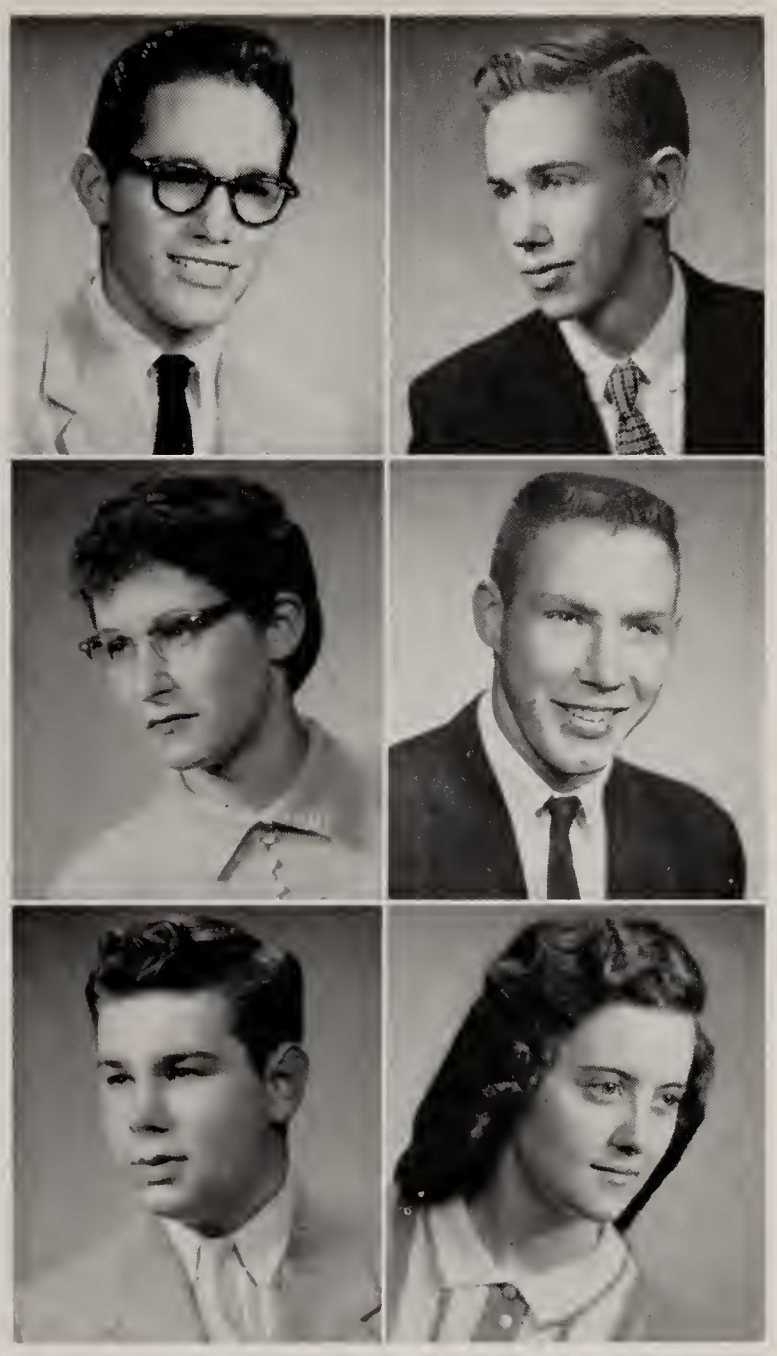
ROBERT PENCE
Bob intends to go to Purdue University this fall. His leisure activities are bicycling, reading, and working on machinery. He also plays the accordion and likes music. Academic course. Senior Play; Band 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, treasurer 1; Arc of Alpha 4.

JULIA PFISTER
Another familiar person around the halls of B.H.S., Julia is working at National Oil & Gas, Inc. Her main hobby is horseback riding. General course. Retrospect Staff 4; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 3, 4, pres. 4; Mixed Chorus 4, pres. 4; Class Sec. 4; Cheer Block 2, 3, 4.

THOMAS PLUMMER
Tom is going to work at Fort Wayne for a year and then join the U. S. Army Reserve unit. His hobby is working on his car. General course. Band 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 3; Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4, captain 3; Intramural Basketball 3, 4.

JERRY POLING
One of the quiet ones around the halls of B.H.S., Jerry is planning to join the Armed Forces. He says that if he likes it he may stay in awhile. His hobbies are hunting and fishing. Academic course.

RITA POLING
This girl can really pound a typewriter. Those who know her well call her "Marlene." She came to Bluffton in her Sophomore year from Dunkirk. She helped supervise the costumes for the Junior Class Play. General Course.



Happiness and Tears Graduate with Us.

PATRICIA POWELL
Pat is headed for St. Joseph Hospital to enter nurse's training. Her hobbies are swimming and listening to records. She is usually seen in her "Little Brown Ford." Academic course. Comet 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4.

DAVID PRIBLE
Dave is planning on going to California to go to college or get a job. His hobbies are swimming, basketball, and football. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Football 1; Track 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3.

DONALD REEVES
Don says his future is uncertain. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, and practically all other sports. General course. Hi-Y 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Business Staff of the Junior and Senior Plays; Senior Rotarian.

ROSEMARY RICHEY
Next fall we will find "Richie" at Ball State studying to be a teacher. Her hobbies are water sports and collecting records. General course. Comet 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 4.

SONJA SAWYER
One of the kind-hearted kids around the Bluffton High School halls, she is well known to everyone. She plans to attend the I.B.M. School. General course. Comet 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Mixed Chorus 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JERRY SCHOREY
Jerry is planning to get a job or go to work for Uncle Sam after graduation. He likes all water sports. General course. Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 3, 4; Business Staff of the Senior Class Play.

CAROLE SCHREIBER
Carole is planning to go to International Business College next fall. She likes music and all water sports. General course. Comet 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Librarian 4.

FRED SCHREIBER
Fred says that what he will do in the future is not definite. His hobbies are bird watching and hiking. General course. Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; 4-H 2; Basketball 1; Football 1, 2; Wrestling 1, 2; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4.

ROBERT SHAFER
Bob will be seen around the University of Cincinnati next fall. Academic course. National Honor Society 4; Junior Play; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, vice-pres. 3; Class Athletic Councilman 1, 2; Thespian Society 3, 4; State Scholastic Contest 1; Junior Town Meeting 4; Senior Rotarian 4; Hoosier Boy's State 3.

FRED SLIGER
Fred is planning to work at Fort Wayne after school is out. His hobby is tinkering around with cars. General course. Basketball 2; Football 1; Intramural Basketball 3, 4; Business Staff of the Senior Class Play.

Friendships We Will Always Treasure.

MARIANN SNIDER
Here is a person who is always willing to work. Mariann is planning to attend the I.B.M. School at Fort Wayne. Her hobby is listening to records. General course. Retrospect Staff; Business Staff of Senior Class Play; Student Librarian 4.

ALICE ZINGSHEIM
"Al" is her nickname. She plans on taking nurse's training at St. Joseph's Hospital. General course. Retrospect Assistant Business Manager; National Honor Society 4; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Hoosier Girl's State.

CHALMER STEELE
He is better known around school as Junior. After commencement he plans to enter college to study business or join the Armed Forces. General course. Comet 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 1; Track 3.

RUDY STEURY
Rudy plans to attend Michigan State University. Academic course. Comet 4; Latin Club 2; Junior Play; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2; Wrestling 1; Intramural Basketball 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4; State Scholastic Contest 1; Arc of Alpha 4, pres. 4; Junior Town Meeting 4; Senior Rotarian; Rotary Convention.

SYLVIA STOUT
She is known to her friends as "Stoutsie." Elementary teaching is her goal. She will enter Ball State next fall. General course. Retrospect Staff; Comet 1, 3; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4; G.A.A. 2.

PEGGY SWAGART
She is known to her friends as "Peg." Dancing and skating are her favorite pastimes. She plans to get a job in an office after graduation. General course. Retrospect Staff; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4.

CAROL TEMPLIN
"Tempie" plans to attend Milwaukee-Downer College where she will study occupational therapy. General course. Comet 2, 4; National Honor Society 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Sec. 1; Cheer Block 1; Thespian 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dabblers 4, treas. 4.

BILL TEWELL
Bill plans to attend Indiana University where he will major in speech. He plans to go into public relations or salesmanship. General course. Comet 1, 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 4; Track 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2.

PATRICIA THOMA
"Thom" plans to attend De Pauw next year and major in education. Academic course. Comet 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1; Band 1, 2, 3; Class pres. 1; Cheer Block 1; Cheer Leader 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4, sec. 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres. 3.

JON TURNER
He is known to most of us as "Jet." He plans to attend the International Barber College at Indianapolis. He spends most of his spare time hunting and fishing. General course. Hi-Y 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Intramural Basketball 3, 4.

Memories Will Keep Us Together.

PATRICIA WARD
She is known around the school as "Wardie." She plans to further her education. General course. Comet 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Junior play; Senior play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4, vice-pres. 4; Band 2, 3; Cheer Block 1, 4; Thespian 3, 4, vice-pres. 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Dabblers 4, sec. 4.

TED WASSON
Ted plans to attend college and major in chemistry. Academic course. National Honor Society 3, 4, pres. 4; Latin Club 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Rotarian; Hoosier Boy's State.

RICHARD WIBLE
Richard is planning to get a job or to help Uncle Sam and his country out by going into the service after graduation. General course. Business Staff of the Junior and the Senior Class Plays.

DIXIE WILEY
She is known by her friends as "Dix." She plans to become a nurse, taking her training at Parkview Memorial Hospital. General course. Retrospect Staff; Comet Business Staff 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4.

EDDIE WILLIAMS
He is known to all of his friends as "Wee Willy." After graduation he plans to help Uncle Sam by joining the Air Force. His favorite hobby is bowling. General course. Intramural Bowling 2.

JANET WILLIAMS
She is known by all of her friends as "Willie." After graduation she is planning to get a job as a typist or a general office job. General course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4.

JANET WILSON
Her friends call her "Willie." She collects records as a pastime. She is going to a beautician college next fall. Commercial course. Retrospect staff; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4, treas. 3; Student Council 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, treas. 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4, captain 4.

MIRIAM VAN EMON
She is known to her friends as "Shrimp." She is a real fan of the Bluffton Tigers. Her plans are not definite. Commercial course. Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 4.

PETE VAN EMON
Pete hopes to attend college. Academic course. Retrospect Staff; Latin Club 2; Junior play; Senior play; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Student Council 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Class Athletic Councilman 3, 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4, pres. 4; Arc of Alpha 4; Senior Rotarian.

CAROL VENIS
Carol is planning on being a nurse. Outdoor sports are her favorite hobbies. General course. Comet 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block 1, 2, 3, 4; Freshman Cheer Leader 1; Thespian 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4: Arc of Alpha 4.

Senior Sponsors

Mr. McNown, Miss Beitler, and Mr. Bennett are our senior sponsors. They have guided and helped us in all our class activities.

Senior History

"57, 57, Thank Heaven," was the class cry throughout its last year.

Some of its busiest events were selling concessions at the football games. The Seniors purchased coffee urns for the school to use in the coming years. The money received from selling concessions was used to buy a record player for the school.

The Seniors held dances after the home basketball and football games in the school gym. After the Retrospect Staff was picked, they began their work to meet the deadline.

We must admit this was a lucky class. It is the only class in B. H. S. History that has left behind it four Sectional winnings.

The Seniors picked a hometown girl, Miss Peggy Goodin, as the author of their play, "Take Care of My Little Girl."

The class enjoyed an educational trip to the Indiana Legislature. They also visited Allison Aircraft, and I. U. Medical Center.

As the end of the year came into sight, the Seniors purchased their announcements and got fitted for their caps and gowns.

When Baccalaureate and Class Day arrived, the Seniors realized they would never again be wandering aimlessly through the halls of B.H.S., screaming their heads off at the basketball and football games, pushing their way through the halls, and slamming locker doors.

Commencement, then what ? ? ? ? ? ?

The Hope Diamonds are Looking into Their Future

Senior Officers

Senior officers admiring the bulletin board. Jerry Hook, president; Denny High, vice-president; Ruby Munson, treasurer; Julia Pfister, secretary; Pete VanEmon, athletic councilman.

Row 1: R. Arend, L. Arnold, Bachelor, P. Barton, K. Baumgartner, D. Bennett.

Row 2: Bercot, M. Betz, Bierie, C. Booth, B. Bowman, Butler.

Row 3: Campbell, Clark, A. Cotton, J. Crandall, Creed, R. Cupp.

Row 4: Daniels, F. Egly, Fair, Farling, Foster, Franze.

JUNIORS — Accomplishing the Production, "Sight Unseen"

Row 5: Frauhiger, Fulton, Geels, Gehrett, Gelow, S. Gerber.

Row 6: D. Gibson, Gilgen, Jerry Gregg, Grimes, Haifley, J. Hammond.

Row 7: A. Hartnett, R. Hartnett, D. Hasinbiller, Heller, Helms, Henry.

Row 8: J. Hiatt, Higgins, Hoffacker, J. Holloway, S. Holloway, Hunter.

Row 9: B. Inskeep, Johnson, M. Keller, Kemp, Kiser, Kistler.

Row 10: Kneuss, Krill, D. Lenoard, Liby, Malmstrom, K. Marsh.

History

The Junior Class kept in step with tradition by getting their class rings. Then they had their fun at a class party in October. At Christmas time the class of "58" flooded the town with jebo and crackerjack. In March they mended costumes and delighted everyone with their Class Play entitled "Sight Unseen."

Officers: Kneeling—Ath. Coun., D. Lenoard, Vice-Pres., Cupp. Standing—Pres., D. Hasinbiller, Treas., Geels, Sec., Clark.

Sponsors: Miss Powers, Mr. Woolsey, Mr. Hoffman, and Mr. Edington.

the Juniors Become Polished Diamonds.

Row 1: Maxon, Mettler, Micklitsch, B. Miller, L. Miller, J. Mittlestedt.

Row 2: Murray, C. Perry, E. Perry, H. Perry, J. Petzel, Piety.

Row 3: S. Ross, L. Rush, Settle, N. Shady, Shaw, Sills.

Row 4: Smekens, Snider, P. Spade, E. Steffen, L. Steffen, B. Steury.

Row 5: B. Stout, Sult, Tangeman, Taylor, Thompson, Tudor.

Row 6: C. Tuttle, C. Ulmer, Vore, Wallace, L. Wible, S. Wible, J. Williams.

Row 1: Aeschliman, M. Alberson Allen, B. Barton, Baumgartner, Beer.

Row 2: B. Bennett, L. Betz, Boren, Borror, Brown, Bulger.

Row 3: Carnall, Carr, Cary, Clanin, Clowser, Cockrell.

Row 4: Costello, B. Crandall, Culp, J. Davis, Davison, R. Decker.

SOPHOMORES ——— These Diamonds in the Rough Seek

Row 5: Dentel, Doran, Edington, Fetters, J. Flowers, R. Flowers.

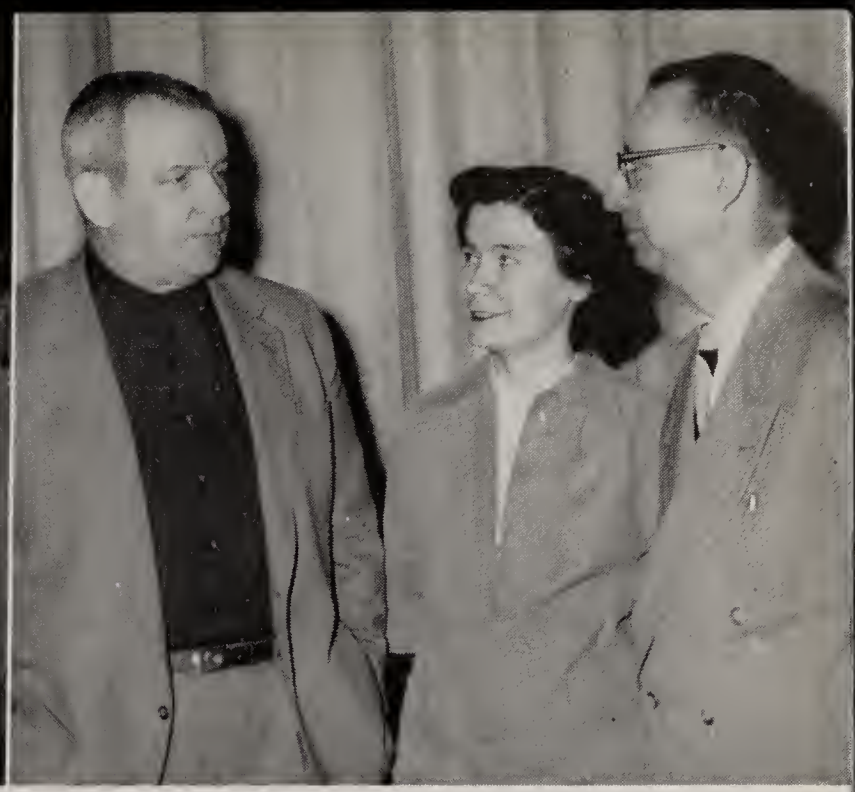
Row 6: Fuller, J. Garrison, R. Gavin, R. Geels, Geisel, B. Gerber.

Row 7: V. Gerber, Gilliom, Gray, J. Guthrie, Harris, Heyerly.

Row 8: Hill, Hite, King, Knowles, Landis, B. Larmore.

Row 9: Kneller, P. Lockwood, K. Markley, Masterson, Milby, K. Miller.

Row 10: Monroe, Moon, C. Moser, Murphy, Myers, McFarren.



Officers: Treas., Rudy, Vice-Pres., P. Seott, Pres., Moon, See., Aeschliman, Ath. Coun. Reiff.

Sponsors: Mr. Larmore, Mrs. Elsmere, Mr. Ulmer.

Their Way Into New Activities

The Sophomores did not get lost in the halls of B. H. S. this year. In fact they managed quite well. They started their fund raising campaign by selling assorted candy and spool holders.

The biggest event in this class's year was their initiation into Hi-Y and Y-Teens. They are now loyal members.

Row 1: Nieholson, Noonan, D. Penee, Pendleton, J. Perry, N. Petzel.

Row 2: Phillabaum, S. Prible, Quinones, Redding, Reed, Reiff.

Row 3: P. Rehbein, Rice, Romine, M. Ross, J. Rothgeb, R. Rothgeb.

Row 4: Rudy, Satterfield, Schenkel, P. Seott, T. Shady, Sharp.

Row 5: Sheets, C. Sliger, W. Snider, Sowards, Sprunger, Strain, Stuck.

Row 6: R. Taylor, Traeger, T. Tuttle, D. Ulmer, Walter, Wolfcale, E. Young.

Row 1: Alexander, J. Arend, Armey, L. Arnold, Bacon, Baumgartner, Beaty, Butts.

Row 2: B. Betz, H. Betz, W. Biberstine, W. Biberstine, J. Biberstine, Bills, Byrd, Bishop.

Row 3: L. Bodkin, B. Booth, P. Booth, Bounds, Brower, B. Bowman, Bracht, Brewer.

Row 4: Brinneman, Brown, Burroughs, S. Carnall, Cary, J. Christianson, L. Christianson, Cobbum.

FRESHMEN —— The Halls of B. H. S. Become Familiar

Row 5: S. Cochran, S. Cochran, Cockelreas, Collins, Conrad, C. Cotton, P. Cotton, M. Crump.

Row 6: J. Davis, Deam, C. Decker, Dedrick, Dillon, Druckemiller, Dustman, D. Egly.

Row 7: J. Eisaman, Emshwiller, Flanigam, T. Foreman, R. Foster, Garr, D. Garrett, J. Garrett.

Row 8: Geisel, B. Gerber, R. Gerber, M. Gibson, Gilbert, K. Grove, L. Grove, Hankins.

Row 9: Hansen, K. Hartnett, R. Hasinbiller, Helblig, J. Heller, A. Hiester, T. Hiester, R. Holloway.

Row 10: Howdyshell, S. Huss, Jackson, R. Kaehr, R. Kahn, Kneller, Kummer, Larimer.

Row 11: Lindsey, D. Linn, Lockwood, Ludwig, Luginbill, Maddux, K. Mann, J. Marsh.

History

B.H.S. thought it was being invaded when 145 greenies poured into its halls. This energetic class managed to help out in all the school activities. They yelled at the ball games and participated in the school dances. They had a Bake Sale to start the money rolling in for the next four years.

to the Uncut Diamonds.

Officers: Treas., P. Booth, Vice-Pres., Emshwiller, Pres., D. Scott, Sec., P. Spaid, Ath. Coun., Moyer.
Sponsors: Seated—Mrs. Bodkin, Mr. Templin, Standing—Mr. Pettyjohn, Mr. Fornshell, Mr. Kirkpatrick.

Row 1: J. Myers, M. Meyer, Mechling, M. Milholland, Munson.

Row 2: L. Myers, Moyer, McClain, Ormsby, Ostrander, Oswalt, Overholt, L. Pace.

Row 3: Paxson, Penrod, A. Perry, M. Perry, P. Perry, J. Poling, Posten, J. Prible.

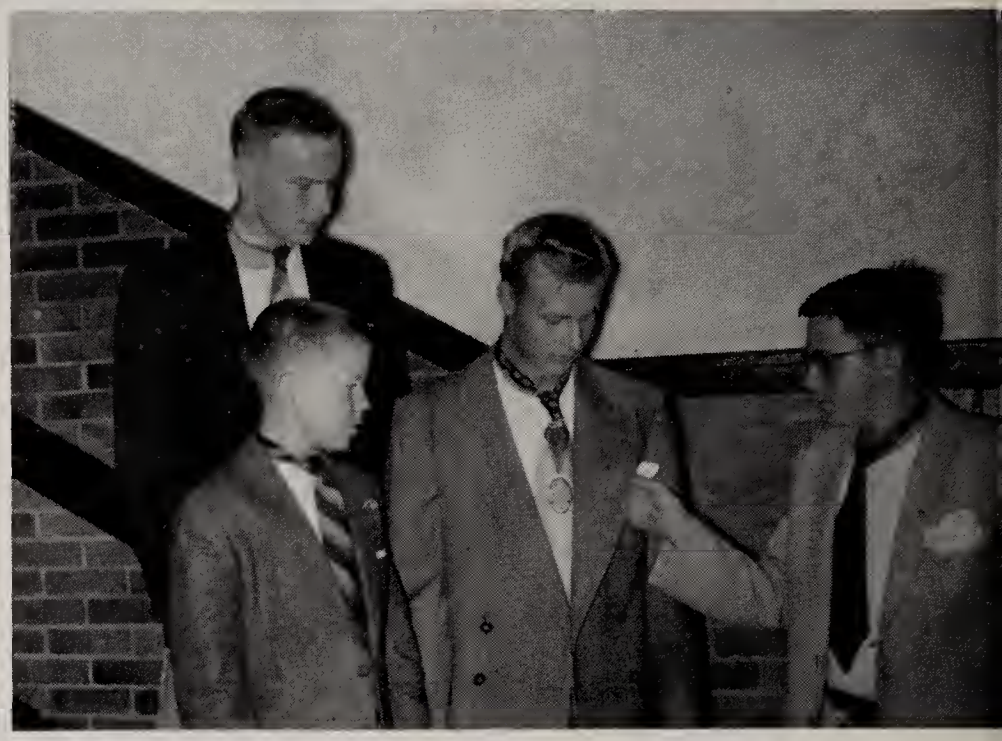
Row 4: Reaser, L. Rehbein, Robles, Rupel, Rush, Sark, S. Sawyer, Scaffa.

Row 5: Schaefer, Schlagenhauf, J. Schreiber, Scott, Simmons, T. Sliger, Smethurst, Spaid.

Row 6: Spake, Speheger, P. Stidham, E. Stidham, G. Stout, L. Stout, Suman, Swisher.

Row 7: Tappy, J. Turner, S. VanEmon, D. Vore, Walker, D. Wasson, Weaver, Wells.

Row 8: Welsh, Wenger, D. White, N. White, W. Williams, R. Wilson, Yule, Zalac.

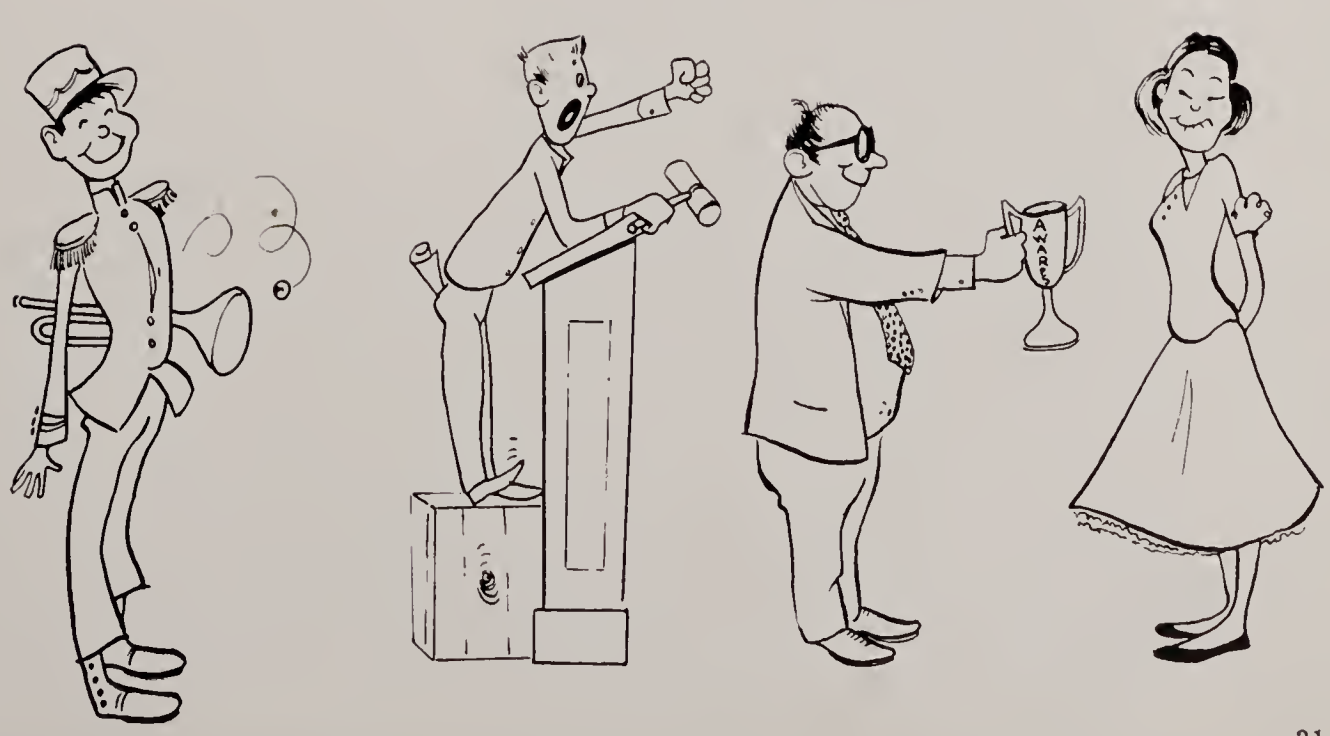


Our Activities Keep Us On the Move . . .

Upper Left: The annual Latin banquet in full attire. Upper Right: We really enjoy those convocations. Middle Left: The Teen Tones really sparked the vocal department. Middle Right: New Hi-Y members all decked out. Bottom: The Hi-Y and Y-Teens work on their projects.

Diamond Syndicates

ACTIVITIES



Retrospect

The Retrospect is more than just a book that denotes the happenings of four years. As the years go by, the Retrospect will become a treasured keepsake. Recorded between its covers are the memories of four years of your life.

The Retrospect Staff has worked hard and faithfully to make this year's Retrospect the best ever published. We hope that you are pleased with the 1957 Retrospect!

"We Came, We Saw, We'll Never Forget."

Upper Left: Isch, Munson, Hammond, Mrs. Elsmere, E. Larmore, J. Wilson, E. Hiatt, K. Miller, D. Park, P. Van Emon, J. Gavin, High, S. Stout, Mr. Park, Mead. *Seated:* Snider, Swagart, Johnston, Zingsheim, Melton, Pfister.

Middle Left: Mead, K. Miller, Isch, S. Stout, Hammond, D. Park, Swagart, Zingsheim, P. Van Emon, E. Hiatt, Pfister, J. Wilson, Mrs. Elsmere, Munson, Snider, High, Johnston.

Lower Left: Business Manager R. Munson and Mr. Park go over the financial standing of the Retro.

Lower Right: Mrs. Elsmere, Assistant Editor J. Isch, and Editor B. Mead get things in order for deadline.

Comet

Once a month, girls go to the home rooms with an armload of papers. Everyone digs in his pocket for a nickel. The occasion is the selling of the "Comet". The school newspaper is edited by Dolly Hasinbiller. Judy Thompson is the business manager. Mr. Park is the advisor.

The Comet is full of articles, written by the editorial staff, about the happenings in school, sports, faculty, and the community.

Had "Tales"—to Tell

Lower left: Mr. Park, J. Thompson, and D. Hasinbiller consider placing an amusing news item in the next issue of the Comet.

Band

The Bluffton High School Band had a very busy schedule this year. They began the year by marching in the Indiana State Fair. Other highlights of the year were the Winter Band Concert, the district contest, in which they received an excellent rating; a music festival, the first of its kind, combining the Berne, Decatur and Bluffton Bands, and the High School Music Program. The band is under the direction of Mr. Reed, their new director.

Harmony Is Our Keynote

Row 1: B. Pence, Jean Eisaman, Y. Mittlestedt, C. Redding, Earhart, Nieholson, P. Barton, T. Milholland, M. Malmstrom, C. Cotton, N. Petzel, C. Templin. *Row 2:* Bulger, Dillion, P. Booth, B. Bowman, Allen, Butts, D. Seott, Hoffacker, A. Cotton, S. Prible, Overholt, Settle, R. Munson. *Row 3:* Maddux, Emshwiller, J. Robles, Bishop, Lindsey, Armey, D. Perry, S. Prible, Knueller, Speheger, Hansen, Harris, Simmons, Kummer, Burroughs, Ludwig, *Standing:* M. Moser, Monroe, Judy Eisaman, Phillabaum, Steffen, S. Sawyer, Mr. Reed.

Chorus

A Melody Lingers On

Miss Beverly Conwell, vocal music supervisor.

The vocal department had an excellent year under the direction of Miss Conwell.

One of the highlights was the annual Christmas Cantata in which they combined with the Central Grade School. On April 5, the Bluffton Chorus combined in a program with Berne and Decatur.

A new group of nine girls, called the "Teen Tones" was organized.

Row 1: Miss Conwell, pianist Decker, White, A. Perry, Carnall, Luginbill, B. Biberstine, Larimer, Christianson, Alexander, Bracht, Piety, Geisel, Drickemiller, Mann, Tuttle, Suman, Meyer. *Row 2:* Pianist S. Sawyer, Myers, Swisher, Sherry Sawyer, M. VanEmon, Rehbein, S. VanEmon, Yule, Leimgruber, Kahn, Smethurst, Bowman, Reaser, Zalac, Crump, Davis. *Row 3:* Isch, Powell, Dedrick, Gilbert, Zingsheim, Wilson, Heller, Cochran, Holloway, Spaid, Booth, McFarren, Malmstrom, Baumgartner. *Row 4:* J. Biberstine, Rupple, B. Gerber, Cobbum, S. Gerber, Poston, Farling, Schlagenhauf, Cotton, Pfister, Brewer, Bounds, Tappy, Milholland, Sult, Wenger.

Row 1: Miss Conwell, Gilbert, Zalac, Luginbill, Linn, Biberstine, Van Emon, Piety, Tuttle, Baumgartner. *Row 2:* Pianist Decker, Rupple, S. Gerber, Farling, Zingsheim, Kahn, R. Wilson, Isch, B. Gerber, J. Wilson, McFarren, Malmstrom. *Row 3:* Pianist Sawyer, Davis, Bounds, Turner, Campbell, Reeves, M. Moser, Sark, Milholland, Pfister, Sult. Row 4: E. Stidham, Freese, C. Moser, Cochran, J. Marsh, J. Gavin, Gelow, Steffen.

Row 1: Ward, Shafer, P. VanEmon, R. Munson, Mead, Eichhorn, Templin, *Standing:* Mr. McNown, D. Park, Kahn, Mrs. Christian, R. Steury.

"Time Out for Ginger"—Added Spice to Our Year

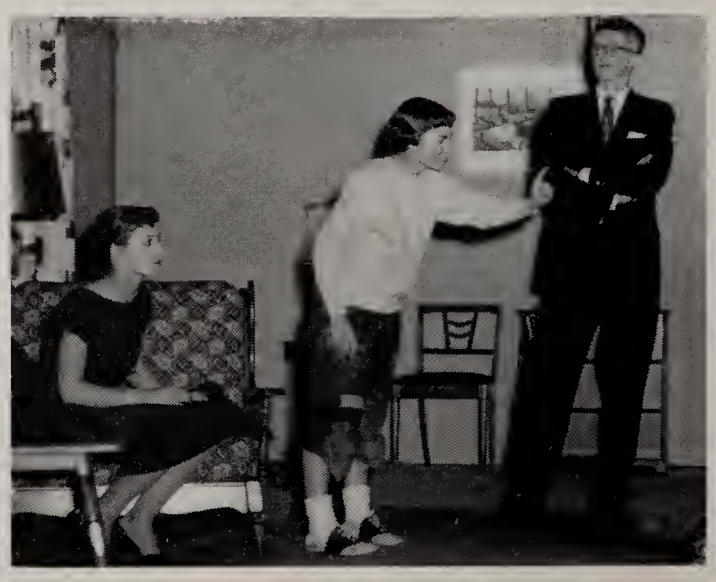
"Time Out For Ginger," a rollicking three act comedy, was presented by the Junior Class. The play centered around a tomboy who wanted to, and did, play high school football.

Ginger was finally convinced that girls should become "lady-like" when they enter high school.

Upper Left: "Fight 'em, Ginger, Fight 'em!" shouts Shafer to Mead.

Lower Left: P. VanEmon K. O.'s R. Steury, as Eichhorn, Mead, and Shafer look on.

Bottom: "I'm going out for football," says Ward to parents, Mead and Shafer.



Upper left: Venis is rejected as Johnston, Larmore, Mead, Stout, and Templin look on.

Upper right: "Nice Kitty," says R. Munson to pledge Ward; Mead, Swagart, and Eisaman watch the maneuvers.

Lower right: Pease gives High the "Heave-Ho." Johnston, R. Munson, and Mead.

"Take Care of My Little Girl"—It Was a "Good'un"

Last November, the Senior Class presented a humorons three act play based on Peggy Goodin's novel, "Take Care of My Little Girl." The plot centers aronnd a small town girl who fonnd that college had more to offer than sorority life. Liz gained the sympathy of the audience as she is swept into a college society life by her sorority sisters.

Bottom: The sorority candlelight ceremony is enacted. Swagart, Ward, Eisaman, Thoma, Stout, Venis, Templin, Johnston, J. Meyer, Eichhorn, T. Milholland, B. Leonard, Mittlestedt, R. Munson, Mead, B. Larmore.

THESPIANS — All the World's a Stage for Us.

The National Thespian Society is an educational organization of teachers and students, established for the advancement of dramatic arts.

The Thespians are known for giving plays at Christmas convocations.

The Bluffton National Thespian Society was chartered in 1952.

Upper left: Kahn, B. Shafer, P. VanEmon, R. Steury, D. Park, Venis, Templin, Lesh, Mead, S. Stout, Eichhorn, Ward, Mittlestedt, Thoma, Johnson, R. Munson, Mr. McNown.

Upper right: P. VanEmon, L. Miller, K. Marsh, J. Crandall, Micklitsch, M. Keller, C. Schreiber, Sult, Richey, Gelow, B. Miller, Hunter, Haifley, Higgins, B. Lenoard, Gregg, V. Snider, Thompson, Eisaman, Settle.

LIBRARIANS — We Learn to Search for Knowledge

Student librarians comprise an enthusiastic staff. Varied duties aid in developing the individual in well-rounded conceptions of library services. Valuable assistance is rendered to the student body. All are members of H.S.L.A., a state organization of 935 members.

Picture: C. Schreiber, Mead, Thompson, Gelow, D. Hasinbiller, M. Snider, K. Marsh, Mrs. Christian, Sills.

LATIN — It's Not "Greek" to Us.

During the past year, the Latin Club has been changed to the Bluffton Chapter of the Junior Classical League. The local chapter is affiliated with the State and National organization. Four representatives attended the National Convention in June of 1956.

Standing: Sprunger, Ulmer, Mrs. Bodkin, Boren, Aeschliman, Bulger, Crandall, Rudy, Fetters, Petzel, Geels, Gavin, Redding, Decker, Hill, Romine, Allen, Brown, Harris, Phillabaum, Moon. *Seated:* Hiatt.

ARC OF ALPHA — That Figures!

The Arc of Alpha was revived this year, after having undergone two years of inactivity. Under the guidance of Mr. Broman, the members of the science club attempt to gain a better understanding of science through movies and experiments.

Members are: Bachelor, Henry, A. Cotton, S. Holloway, Fair, R. Steury, Murray, Wallace, Hammond, Tangeman, J. Gavin, Thompson, Ulmer, Sprunger, B. Rudy, K. Marsh, L. Miller, Mieklitsch, D. Hasinbiller, Snider, Butler, Mettler, F. Davis, B. Steury, Grimes, Shafer, Gelow, Venis, B. Pence, Heller.

Y-TEENS—Diamonds That Sparkle and Shine.

The purpose of the Y-Teen club is to build a fellowship of women and girls devoted to the task of realizing in our common life those ideals of Christian, personal, and social living.

The Y-Teens have been busy this year making favors for hospitals and convalescent homes, selling Christmas cards, the annual Best Beau Banquet, the Mother-Daughter Tea and attending a fashion show sponsored by Portland's Y-Teen club.

Miss Jones is the Y-Teens' new sponsor.

Point: Munson. *Row 2:* Spade, J. Crandall. *Row 3:* Bulger, Decker, R. Geels. *Row 4:* B. Crandall, M. Hill, S. Ross, L. Settle. *Row 5:* Boren, Aeschliman, S. Geels, K. Markley, Brown. *Row 6:* Venis, Scott, Rudy, L. Miller, M. Malmstrom, Micklitsch. *Row 7:* M. Van Emon, S. Keller, Nicholson, Sliger, R. Malmstrom, Powell, Leimgruber, Dentel. *Row 8:* D. Ulmer, J. Williams, Wilson, Zingsheim, S. Reed, Young, Shects, Romine. *Row 9:* Miss Jones, B. Miller, S. Johnson, Higgins, Swagart, Templin, Thoma, Richey, Schreiber, Stout, Ward, Crump, Barwiler, Rothgeb, Isch, Arnold. *Row 10:* Melton, Pfister, Farling, Haifley, C. Ulmer, J. Williams, Mason, Petzel, Clowser, Frauhiger, Clark, Marsh, C. Booth, Jones, Earhart, Mead. *Row 11:* Larmore, Daniels, Eisaman, Lesh, Kistler, Pace, McFarren, Thompson, S. Gerber, Fetters, V. Snider, Flowers. *Row 12:* Sult, Davis, M. Harris, R. Gavin, Arend, Eichhorn, Gross, Johnston, Lenoard, Mittlestedt, S. Sawyer, Milholland.

HI-Y — A Solid Foundation for the Future.

The purpose of the Hi-Y club is to create, maintain, and extend throughout the home, school, and community the high standards of Christian character.

Hi-Y projects for this year included concessions at basketball games, helping the needy at Christmas, contributing to the World Service fund, and the annual Best Girl Banquet.

Tom Tangeman brought honors to the local club by being elected to the state Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y Planning Council.

Point: W. Hammond. *Row 1:* R. Reiff, R. Gibson, Moon. *Row 2:* Shaw, Schenkel, R. Baumgartner, J. Krill. *Row 3:* W. Steury, High, Walters, Monroe, Liby. *Row 4:* R. Steury, Mettler, R. Cupp, Maxson, Creed, P. VanEmon. *Row 5:* Grimes, Bachelor, Steele, Tewell, D. Park, Strain. *Row 6:* Mr. Ulmer, Edington, Carnall, Tudor, Rice, T. Shady, F. Schreiber. *Row 7:* Kneuss, Hite, Kiser, Fair, A. Cotton, D. Lenoard, Smekens, C. Moser. *Row 8:* Campbell, Reeves, Bierie, Gelow, J. Gavin, Butler, Sowards, J. Petzel, J. Davis. *Row 9:* M. Moser, D. Prible, Bates, Wallace, Heller, N. Shady, J. Turner, Murray, D. Cochran, Hook. *Row 10:* Stout, Kunkel, Henry, Stuck, Tangeman, Shafer, T. Wasson, B. Bowman, W. Cupp, Hoffacker, Phillabaum.

QUILL AND SCROLL—News and Truth are Synonomous

Quill and Scroll is an honorary society for high school journalists. Juniors and Seniors in the upper third of their classes who have done superior work on the Comet and Retrospect are eligible for membership.

The initiation is marked by a formal dinner and the presentation of pins and membership cards. Mrs. Elsmere is the advisor.

Hasinbiller, Munson, Isch, Thompson, Mead, Mrs. Elsmere.

Standing: Steury, Fair, Bachelor, Hammond, Shafer, Wasson, Tangeman, Henry, Davis, Park, Hiatt.

Seated: Snider, Munson, Mead, Miss Powers, Johnston, Templin, Zingsheim, Isch.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY—We Burn the Midnight Oil.

The National Honor Society attempts to hold before the school such motives as shall induce others to aspire to scholarship, leadership, character, and service. They must be in the upper third of their class.

Thirteen new members were inducted into the Society this year.

STUDENT COUNCIL — Our Big Wheels Keep Us On the Trail.

Upper Right: R. Crandall, J. Garrett, R. Scott, Speheger, D. Hasinbiller, J. Marsh, Poston, P. Lockwood, Decker, P. Rehbein.

The Student Council is a group of students elected by, and representing, the student body. The organization attempts to settle problems which arise in connection with our school. It is responsible for the initiation, organization, and carrying out of many of our school functions. We are able to enjoy convocations which are brought to our school through the efforts of the Student Council.

Lower Right: kneeling: P. VanEmon, R. Steury. *Standing:* Creek, Hammond, B. Lenoard, R. Munson, Hook, T. Wasson, Mead.

Lower Left: Shaw, D. Park, R. Betz, Moon, Kemp, J. Crandall, B. Kistler, J. Davis.

F.F.A. — Our Future Depends on Their Green Thumbs.

One of our duties of the local F.F.A. is maintaining sixty acres of land in Lancaster Township.

Two representatives from Bluffton attended the National F.F.A. Convention last summer. The Junior and Senior members attended the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago.

Row 1: Biberstine, Traeger, B. Inskeep, Mr. Woolsey, Gray, Schenkel, R. Baumgartner.
Row 2: Bereot, Captain, Creek, K. Inskeep, D. Prible, T. Baumgartner, Costello, Schaefer, Foreman.

DABBLERS — We make a Big Splash!

The art club, Dabblers, is a relatively new club. Its members number thirteen.

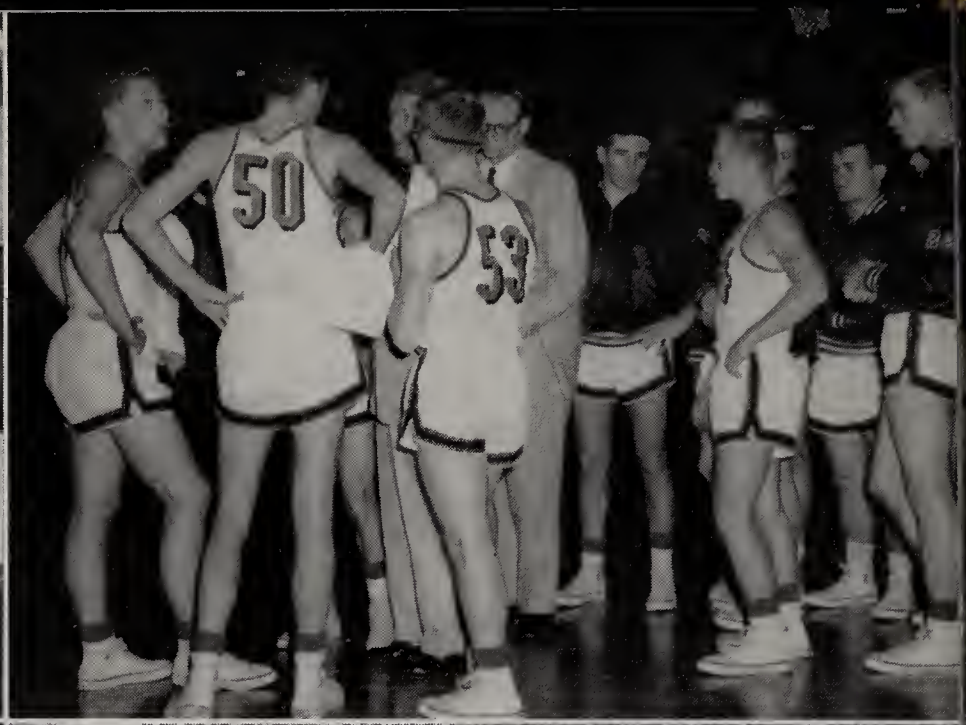
The Dabblers have purchased art prints for the school, helped with the scenery for class plays, and decorated the gym at sectional time.

Left to right: Ward, Templin, Hunter, Mrs. Wallaee, Wells, Penrod, Alberson, P. Rehbein, Moser, Oswalt, Turner, Spake, Welsh.

The peppy cheer block at Bluffton High School was started in 1952. The Cheer block is the largest organization in school, consisting of 132 girls

CHEER BLOCK — Voices Rang from the Rafters.

plus substitutes. The cheer block is noted for its original yells and formations which draw pleasing comments from both the local fans and the visitors.



THE FLASH OF FINE DIAMONDS

Upper left: The food really goes at the annual athletic banquet.

Second left: Wasson goes high for that tip against Kendallville, as Bowman, Kemp and Davis anxiously await.

Upper right: Coach Kirkpatrick gives his team valuable instructions.

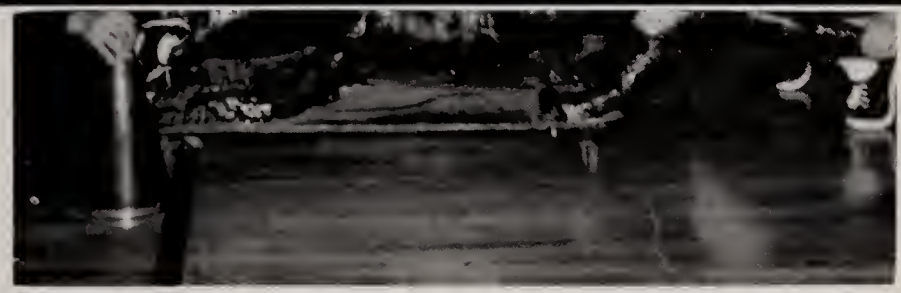
Lower right: Something new has been added!

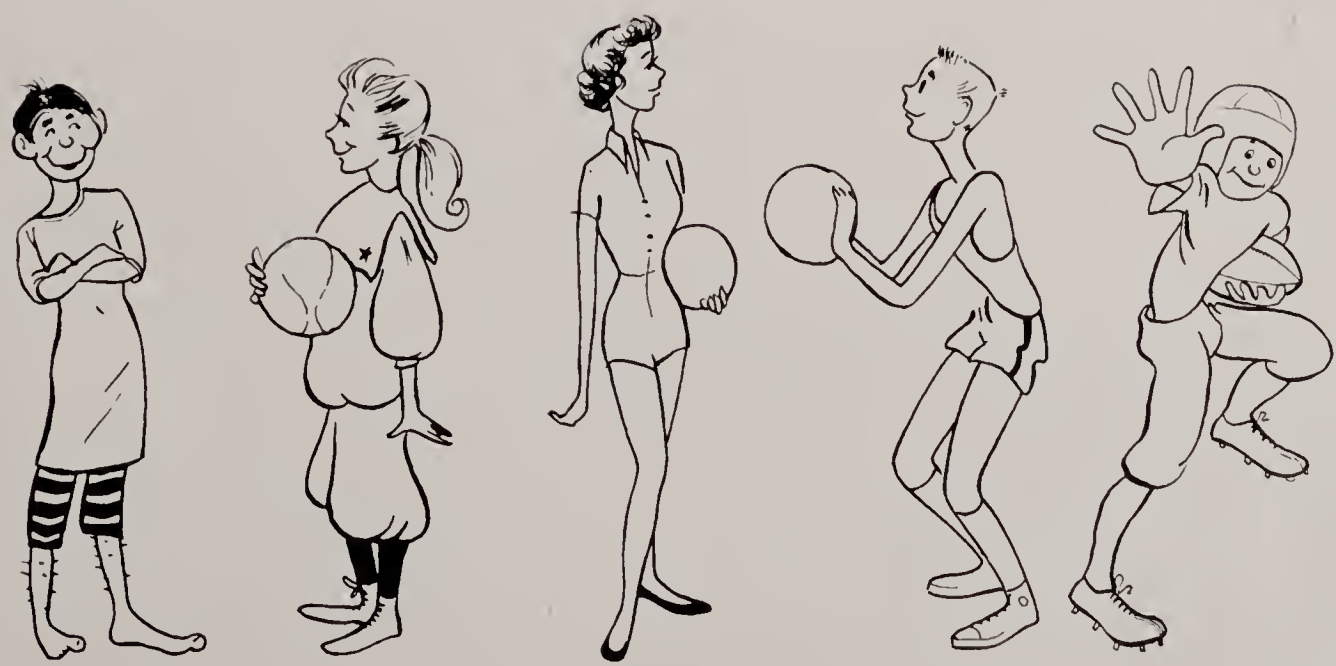
Third left: Right in formation are twirlers Thompson, L. Miller, R. Munson, Micklitsch, and Fetters.

Fourth left: Hook rips through that line as Bachelor and Bierie bowl over those Auburn Red Devils.

GOOD DIAMONDS SHOW FIRE!

SPORTS





First Row, left to right: Rice, Carnall, T. Shady, C. Moser, N. Sowards, Butler, Kneuss, Hite, L. Barton, N. Edington, Moon.
Second Row, left to right: Coach Larmore, Tewell, Steel e, R. Steury, Hook, D. Park, Kunkel, T. Wasson, W. Hammond, Elston, Reeves, D. Prible, J. Davis, Plummer, Coa ch Jacks.
Third Row, left to right: Manager A. Cotton, Mettler, Fair, B. Heller, J. Petzel, Bachelor, Henry, Coach Hoffman, B. Larmore, Stuck, Bierie, Steffen, Creed, Campbell, Mana ger R. Reiff.

Victory Favors the Team Making Fewer Mistakes.

FOOTBALL

Finishing the '56 season with a winning record, the Tigers came through for the second straight year on top of the won-lost column. Guided by Mentor Herb Hoffman, the Tigers posted a 5-3-1 record. A hard charging line, a deadly aerial attack, and some fine backfield play were characteristic of this year's team. Of the twenty-three major letter winners, nine will be returning next fall to don the black and crimson at Wilson Field.

The season's record for the Tigers is as follows:

	Tigers	Opponents
Kendallville	0	0
Mississinewa	7	33
Winchester	39	6
Auburn	41	12
Columbia City	33	6
Decatur	28	24
Garrett	14	21
Portland	6	28
New Haven	21	20

Lower left: Coach Hoffman and assistants Larmore and Jacks discuss the defense for the next game over coffee. *Lower right:* Managers R. Reiff and A. Cotton check the equipment for repairs.

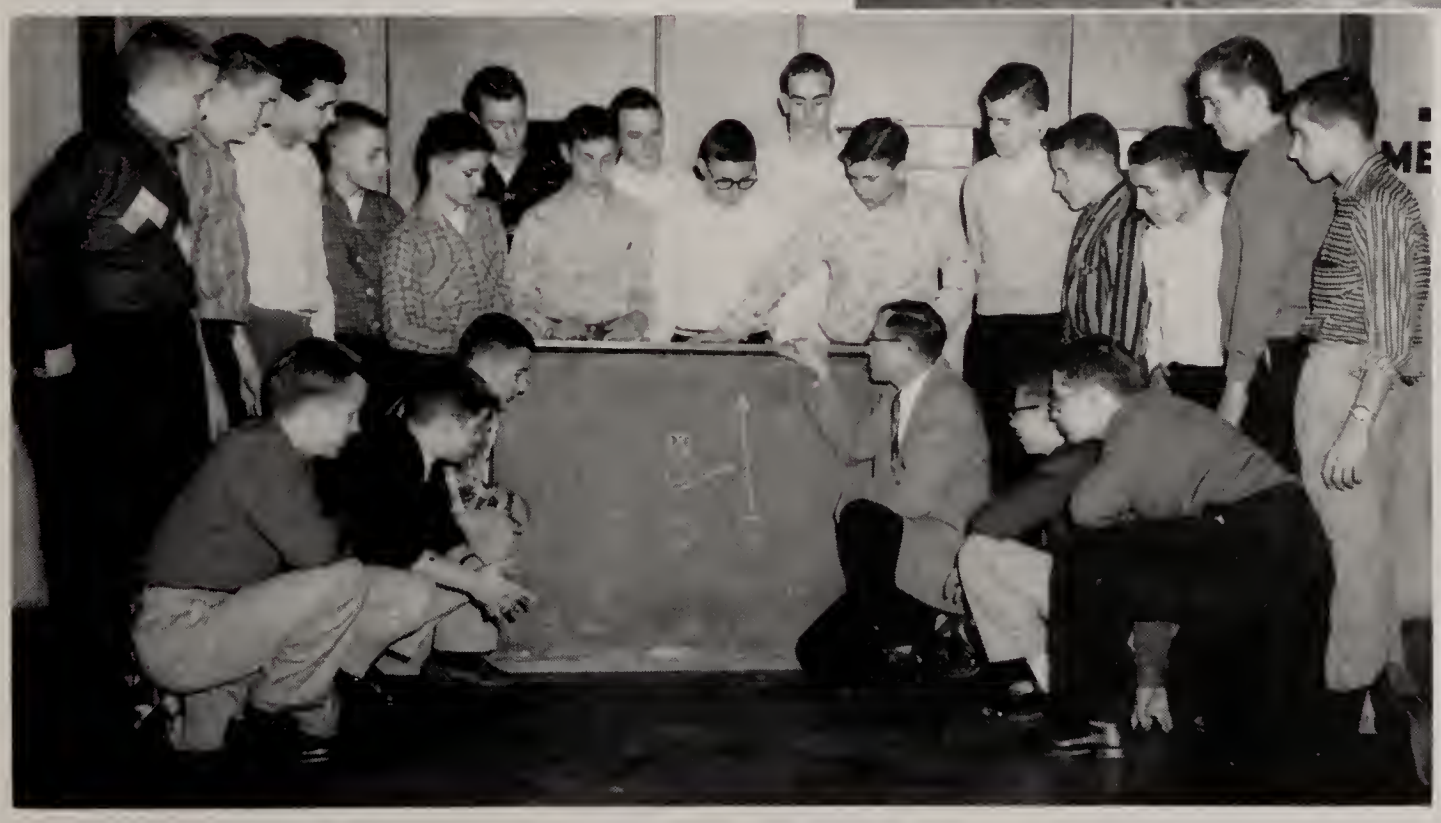
Upper left: Wasson throws a block for Tewell as Bierie and Kunkel come up fast.
Upper right: Hook and Stuck come to the rescue of Tewell.
Second right: Looks like a big gain for the Tigers.

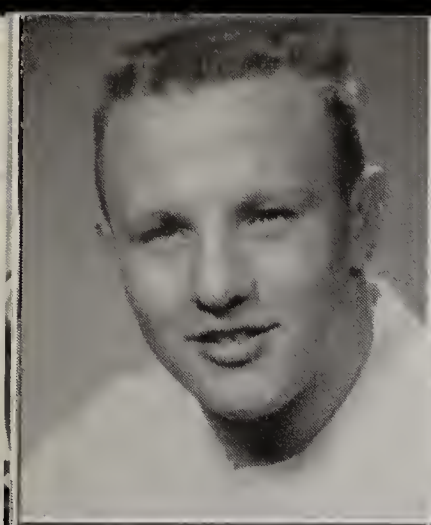
Gridders Bring Thrills and Spills.

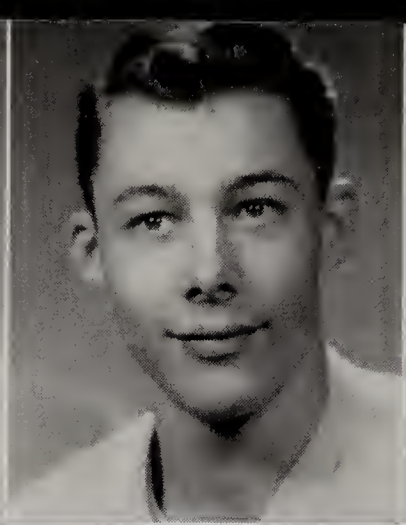
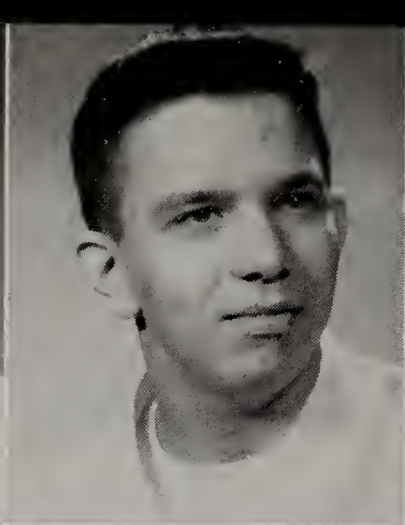
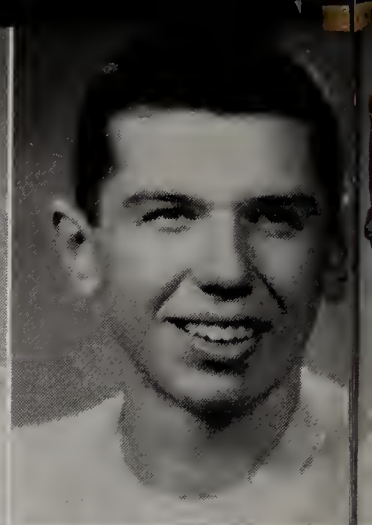
Kneeling, left to right: Manager T. Heister, Grove, R. Betz, Coach Brinson, Beaty, Brinneman.

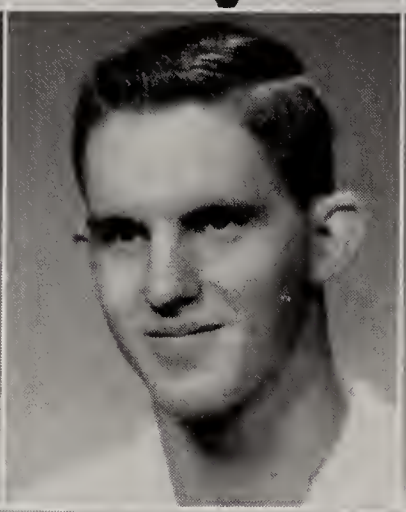
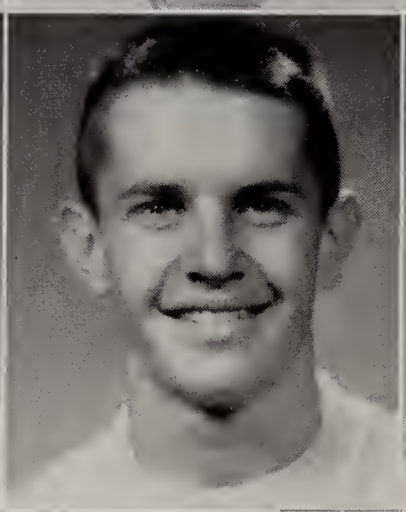
Freshman Football

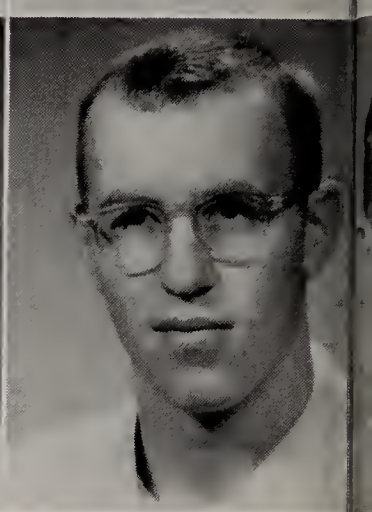
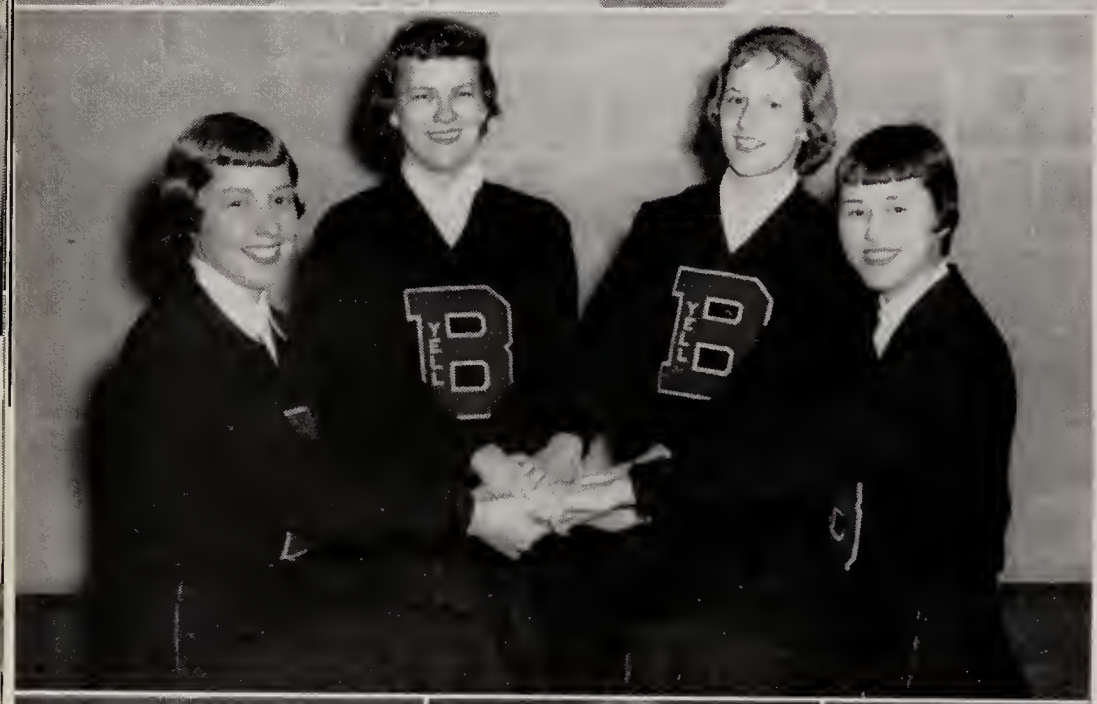
Standing, left to right: J. Garrett, Collins, D. White, Flaningam, L. Myers, G. Stout, S. Cochran, Speheger, R. Scott, M. Milholland, H. Betz, J. Marsh, Kaehr, Burroughs, T. Lockwood, R. Munson.



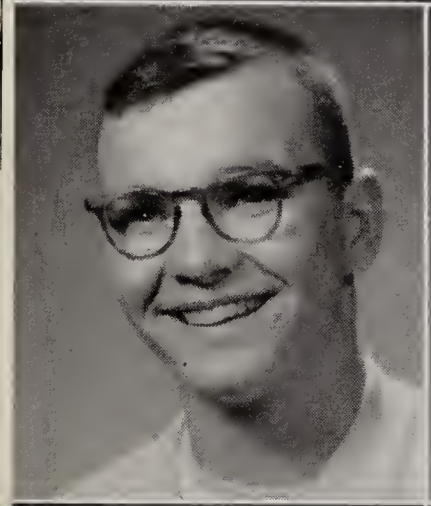
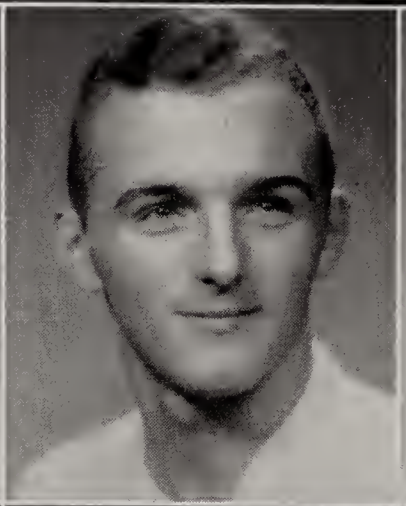
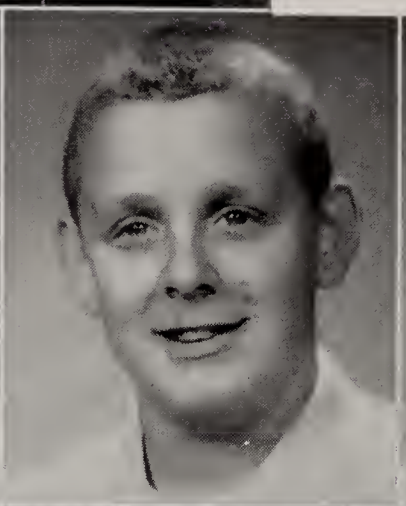
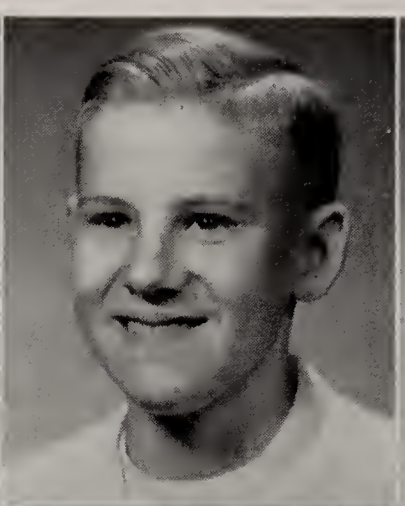
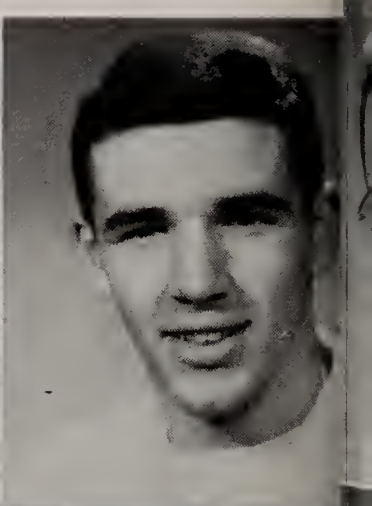
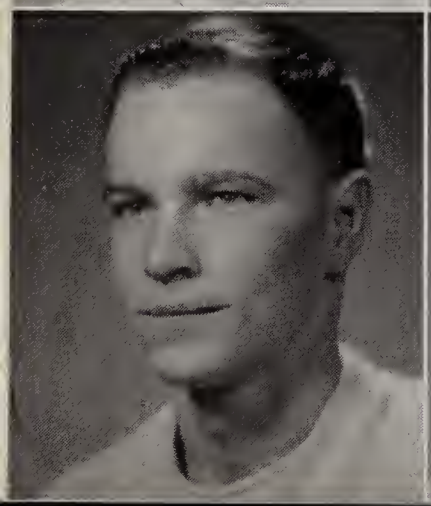
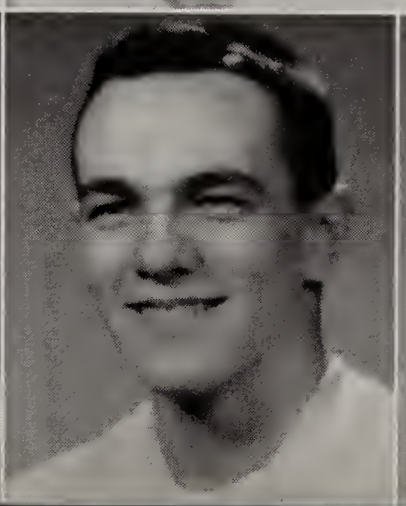


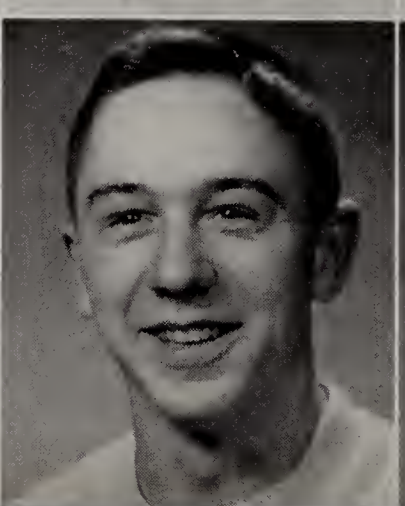
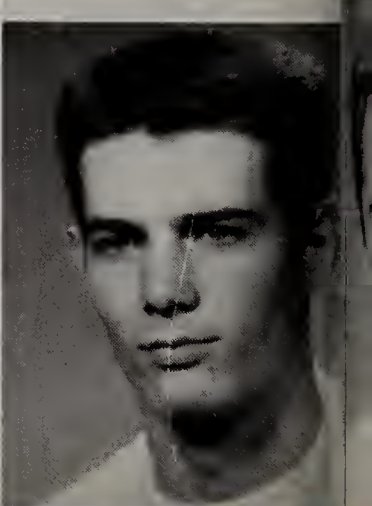




Cheerleaders—Creating new yells, leading the cheerblock, and practicing are all jobs of our four excellent yell leaders, Pat Thoma, Betty Lenoard, Diann Ulmer, and Camey Sprunger. Regardless of the odds they were always there ready to cheer the teams of B.H.S. on to victory.

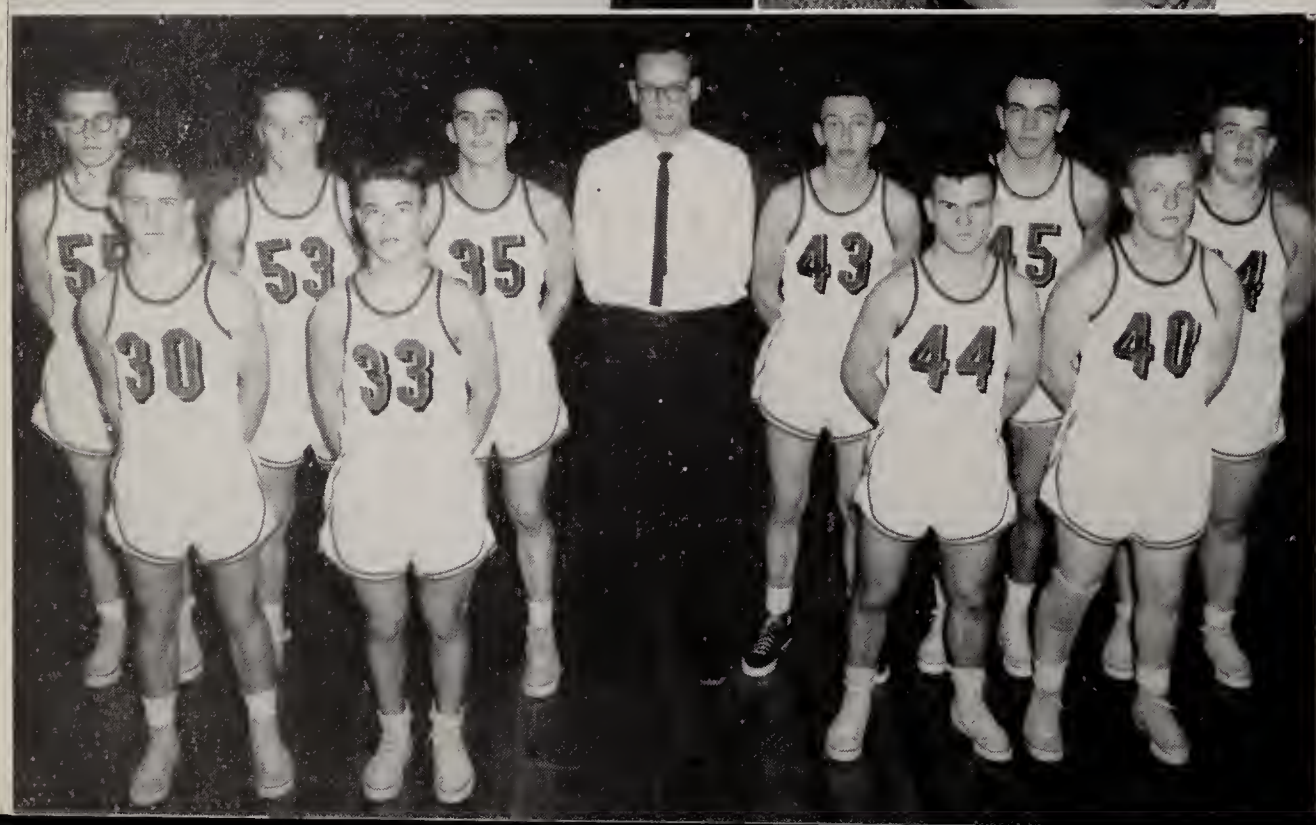
Their Athletic Achievements are Permanently Written on Our Minds.

Bachelor: Football, Track
Bierie: Football
Bowman: Baseball, Basketball
Butler: Football
Cotton: Football Student Manager
Creed: Baseball, Football, Track
Creek, Track
Cupp, R.: Baseball
Cupp, W.: Wrestling
Davis: Baseball, Basketball, Football, Tennis
Elston: Football
Fair: Football, Wrestling
Garrett: Wrestling Student Manager
Gibson: Track Student Manager
Hammond: Basketball, Football, Track
Heller: Football
Henry: Football, Track
High: Wrestling
Hook: Basketball, Football, Track
Kemp: Basketball
Kneuss: Football
Kunkel: Football
Larmore: Football
Milholland: Basketball
Murphy: Football
Murray: Baseball
Park: Basketball Student Manager, Football, Track
Plummer: Football, Wrestling
Prible: Football
Reeves: Baseball, Basketball
Shaw: Wrestling
Steele, Basketball, Football
Steffen: Football
Steury, B.: Wrestling
Steury, R.: Football
Tangeman: Basketball, Football, Tennis
Tewell: Basketball, Football, Tennis
Wasson: Baseball, Basketball, Football, Tennis

Sitting, left to right: Tewell, Reeves, W. Hammond, J. Davis, Hook, Steele.
Standing, left to right: Ass't. Coach Fornshell, Kemp, C. Heister, T. Wasson, Tangeman, M. Milholland, B. Bowman, Coach Kirkpatrick.

A Coach's Dream Came True.

The Bluffton Tigers had a very fine season under their new coach, Virgil Kirkpatrick. The Tigers started well, and finished the season with 14 wins and 11 losses. The team established a new record when they won the Bluffton Sectional Tourney for the fourth straight year.



Center left: Head manager D. Park checks equipment with assistants R. Gibson and C. Moser.

Center right: We must have won, coaches Fornshell and Kirkpatrick are smiling.

Front row, left to right: R. Cupp, D. Lenoard, Creed, Bachelor.

Back row, left to right: S. Holloway, B. Heller, D. Wallace, coach Fornshell, Murray, Henry, Bierie.

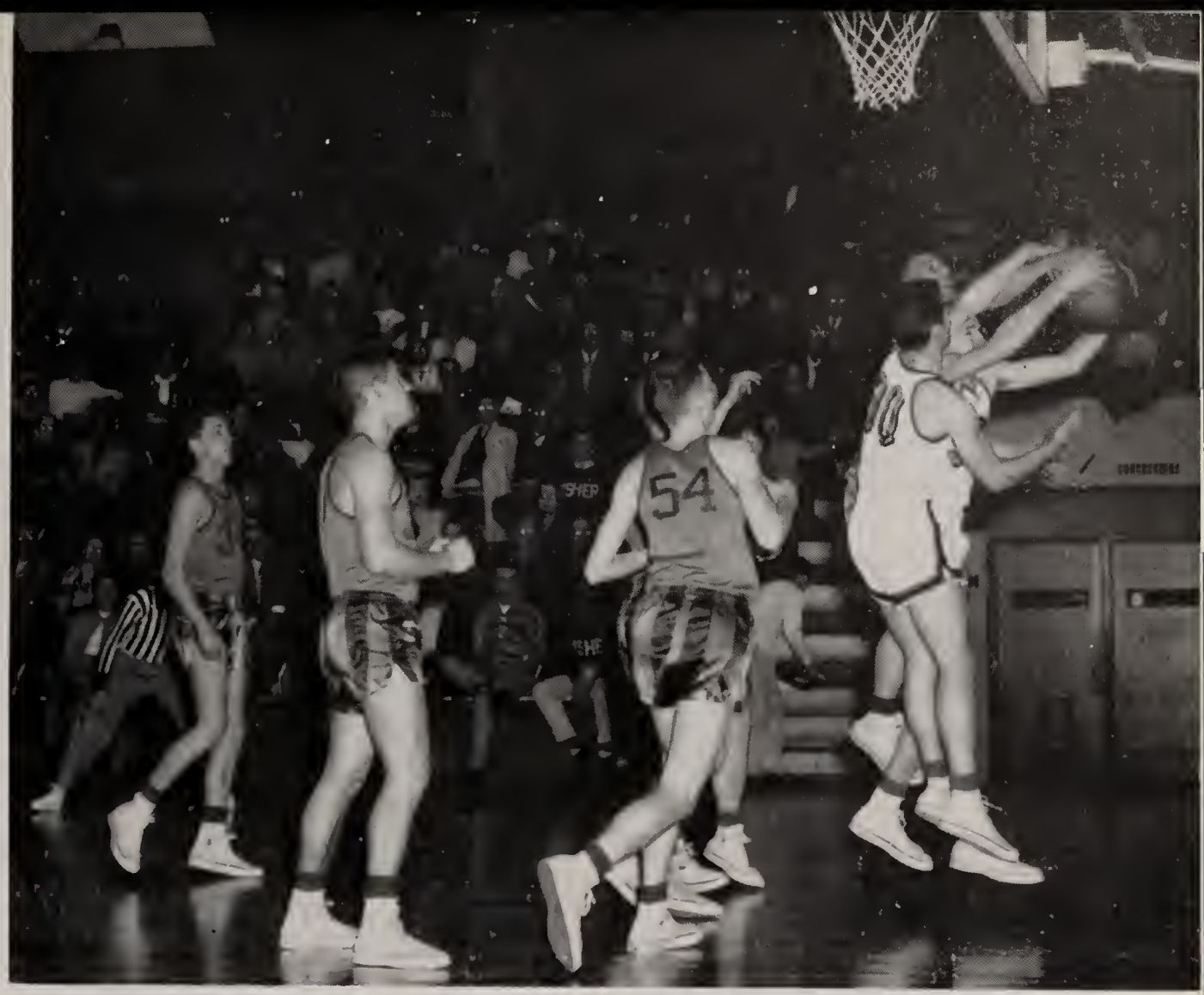
RECORD	WE	THEY
Hartford City	52	55
Decatur	46	57
South Side	58	57
Dunkirk	51	58
Columbia City	60	34
Winchester	55	52
Huntington	65	57
Mississinewa	60	56

Holiday Tourney		
Kendallville	53	44
Hartford City	47	60
New Haven	66	57
Garrett	36	42
Ossian	54	62
Kendallville	53	60
Decatur	56	64
Concordia	61	69
Berne	67	69
Auburn	66	53
Portland	80	62
Adams Central	85	72
Sectional Tourney		
Jackson	78	63
Lancaster	66	52
Rockcreek	70	57
Liberty Center	62	42
Regional Tourney		
Hartford City	48	65

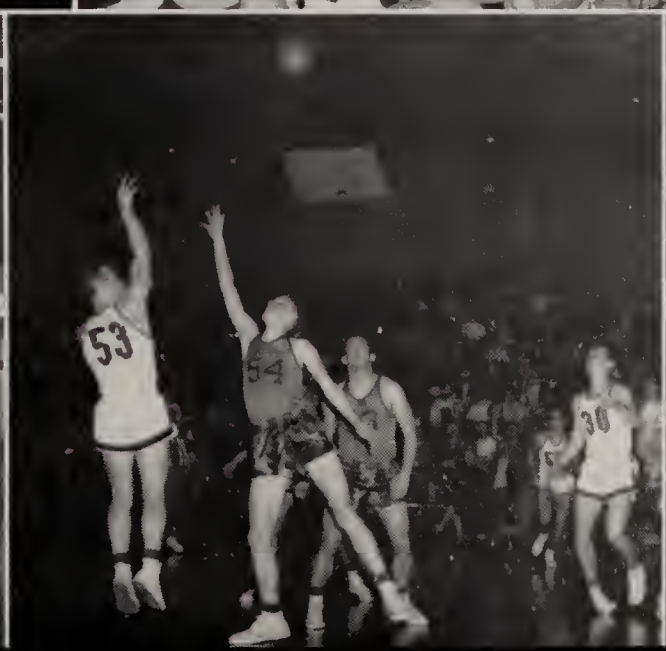
Upper right: Wasson and Kemp want that rebound.

Top left: Freshman managers T. Heister and T. Lockwood check in equipment.

Center right: Standing, left to *right:* Beaty, Linn, J. Davis, J. Marsh, G. Stout, D. White, Speheger, Collins, Garr, H. Betz. *Kneeling, left to right:* K. Grove, Kaehr, R. Betz, Hansen, Armey, Burroughs, Flaningam, Simmons, Coach Brinson.



BASKETBALL—Our Sectional Champs!



Kneeling, left to right: Reeves, Tewell, Schmidt, Uptgraft, Lautzenheiser, Creed, J. Davis, R. Cupp, D. Lenoard.
Standing, left to right: Coach Compton, Bates, Bierie, B. Bowman, T. Wasson, Tangeman, Flowers, Murray, D. Lockwood, Manager Rhodes.

BASEBALL—You Have to Get to First in Order to Score.

Although hampered by poor weather throughout the season, the Tigers came through with four wins while dropping five. The Bengals boasted a fine pitching staff, an alert infield, and a hard hitting outfield. The Tiger nine was bolstered by stalwarts "Charlie" Uptgraft, Dave Flowers, Don Lockwood, and Dick Lautzenheiser. These, along with many promising underclassmen, turned in a creditable season for Tiger coach Leroy Compton.

The season's record for the Tigers is as follows:

	Tigers	Opponents
Huntington Catholic	12	5
Portland	2	16
New Haven	8	5
Columbia City	(canceled)	
Concordia	0	4
Kendallville	3	6
Columbia City	1	2
Kendallville	7	4
New Haven	(canceled)	
Concordia	5	6
Columbia City	2	1
Decatur	(canceled)	

It Takes Brains and Brawn.

Showing hustle and mueh spirit the Grapplers of B. H. S. gave the wrestling fans mueh entertainment and tense moments. The Tigers are graduating four seniors but have some very good underclassmen returning next year. Coach Phil Jacks molded the tcam through the season only to have injuries hamper the team in the Seetional. Eight boys participated in the Sectional and Bill Fair nailed down third plaee in the 145 pound elass.

WRESTLING

Bluffton	*Opponents*	
31	Central Catholic	25
31	Central Catholie	25
16	Royerton	34
20	Howe Military	35
10	Marion	46
48	New Haven	5
8	Marion	46
22	Peru	30
38	New Haven	18
16	Royerton	38
19	Madison Heights	29
16	Central Catholic	34
16	Peru	34
10	Richmond	44

Upper Left, Standing: Coaeh Jacks, J. Turner, Fair, J. Petzel, Murphy, B. Cupp, B. Larmore, R. Campbell, Kneuss, Plummer, Scaffa.

Kneeling: P. Van Emon, Shaw, S. Coehran, K. Miller, Jaekson, L. Myers, Sehenkel, W. Steury, High, J. Garrett.

Lower left: J. Davis, Mettler, R. Cupp, Tangeman, Ted Wasson.

The "Racketeers" Made Great Strides.

The Tiger Netmen under Coach "Chuck" Kaufman roared through a very sueecssful season winning eleven while losing two. The netters were led by Jaek Fitzpatrick, Steve Hinsley, Ted Wasson, Jim Davis and Phil Tyndall. Number six spot was shared by Tom Tangeman, Jack Ulmer, and Ronnie Cupp.

The undefeated record of Jim Davis was one of the highlights of the season. David was followed closely by Ted Wasson who dropped only one mateh.

INTRAMURAL—Competitive and Ready for Action.

Top Picture: D. Park, Sliger, Inskeep, Prible, Gavin, Kunkel.

Bottom Picture: J. Turner, J. Turner, Oswalt, Mettler, Grimes, Gavin, Murphy, Bates.

G. A. A.—Marked by Sportsmanship and Fair Play.

The goal of the participant is to attain good health, better sportsmanship and clean living. Under the careful guidance of Miss Beitler, a well-rounded program of activities has been developed. Bev Mead and Betty Lenoard are at present working for their State awards in sports.

Row 1: M. Gibson, Emshwiller, D. Garrett, D. Ulmer, Jean Eisaman, B. Leonard, Settle, J. Christianson, Wells. *Row 2:* Spade, R. Crandall, Micklitsch, A. Lenoard, Butts, Lindsey, M. Malmstrom, S. Prible, D. Vore, L. Miller, S. Van Emon, Bracht. *Row 3:* M. Beitler, Sponsor, Boren, D. Perry, J. Larimer, J. Prible, Cobbum, C. Templin, Overholt, Mead, Becky Bowman, K. Hartnett, J. Geisel, J. Holloway, Venis, P. Rehbein, Bulger. *Row 4:* P. Lockwood, Hartnett, Judy Eisaman, T. Milholland, Gross, Dillion, Harris, E. Bodkin, Sult, B. Booth, V. Snider, Fetters, B. Gerber, Thoma.

Lower Left

This is tumbling!

Lower Right

G.A.A. Officers and sport heads look on as L. Myers and P. Lockwood perform a tumbling demonstration.

TRACK—Cinder Crew Stirred up the Dust.

The Bluffton High School track team of 1956 had a good season with a record of six wins and three losses. The thinliclads made a good showing in the New Haven Relays, N. E. I. C. Conference meet, and placed in the Huntington Sectional meet. The team, predominantly seniors, was well coached by Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Jacks. Wade Hammond tied the B. H. S. record in the high jump at 5' 9½". The season's record is:

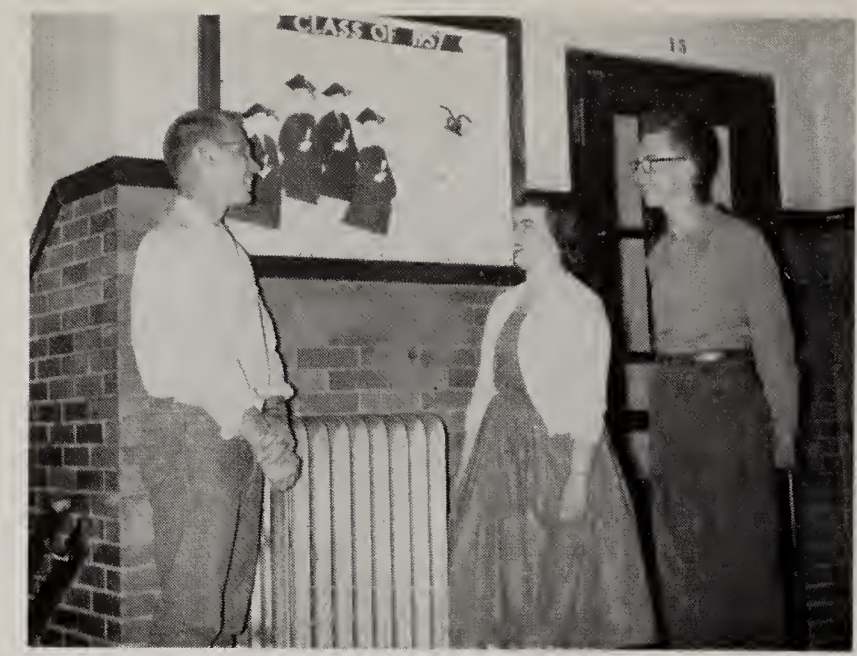
We–46 New Haven–63; We–75 Geneva–18; Monmouth–44 We–81; Lancaster–9½ Portland–62½; We–30 Mississinewa–60; We–80 Dunkirk–33; Pleasant Mills–29 We–70½; Decatur–37½ Columbia City–51; We–75½ Petroleum 20½; Montpelier–57 We–49; Concordia–60 We–34; Huntington–56 5/6 Warsaw–47 5/6; New Haven Relays–16; N. E. I. C. Conference –24½; Sectional–19.

Upper Left: Bachelor shows perfect form as he puts the shot.

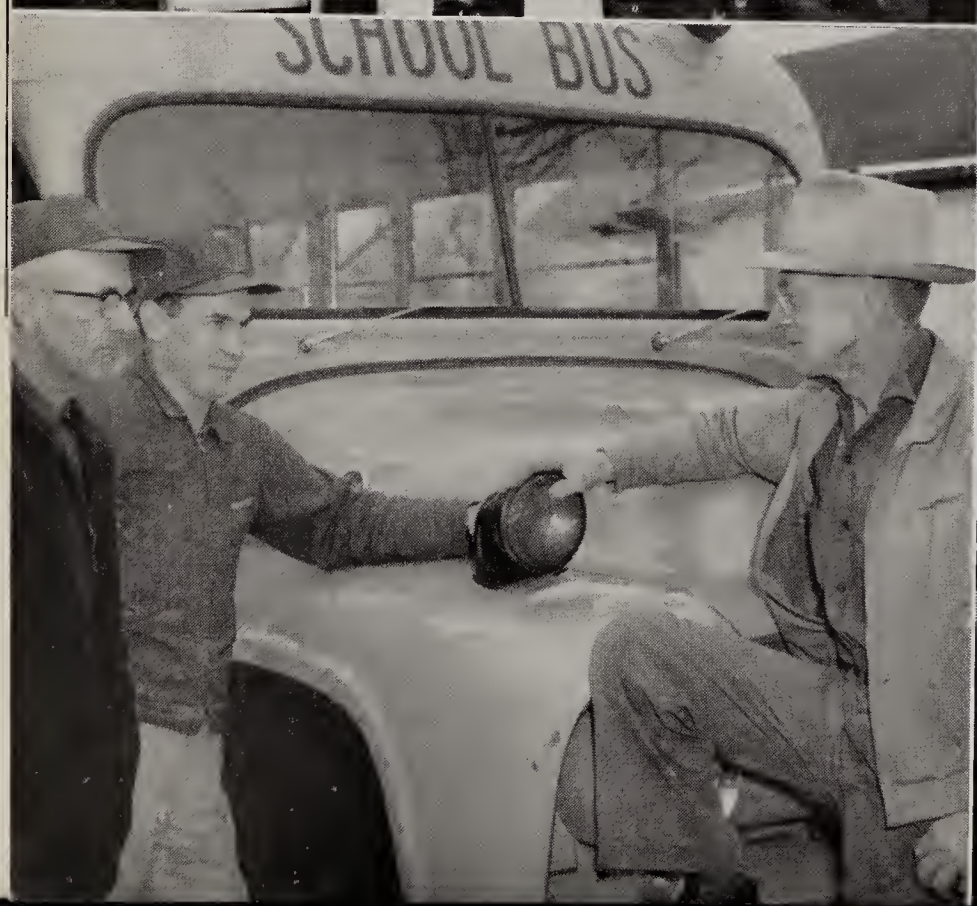
Upper Right: Row 1: Reiff, Student Manager, K. Grove, J. Emshwiller, A. Scott, J. Geels, Schmidt, D. Gibson, Student Manager. *Row 2:* D. Park, Tewell, Hook, Plummer, Creek, D. Prible, W. Hammond. *Row 3:* Coach Hoffman, Sowards, Stuck, Bachelor, Bierie, Creed, Henry, D. Wallace, Fair, Smekens, B. Larmore, Rice, Asst. Coach Jacks.

Lower Left: Prible leads the pack as Emshwiller follows a few yards behind.

In memory of Robert Charles Ulmer, who spent half of his high school career with us before his tragic death in the spring of 1955. This fun-loving classmate was well-liked on the athletic field and in the classroom by everyone who knew him. Bob's friendly personality will always be remembered by the class of "57".



A Friendly Face, A Happy Smile,



Upper Left: Seniors Plummer, Powell and Turner look at their bulletin board.

Upper Right: We all learn how to vote.

Middle Left: A Night Out with Neptune.

Middle Right: The janitors, Mr. Witzman, Mr. Harris, and Mr. Weaver have a friendly chat.

Lower Left: The bus drivers wait for the rush after the last bell.

Lower Right: We had our cake and ate it too.

Upper Right: Our convocations were excellent.

Middle Left: "Sight Unseen" preparations.

Middle Right: Oh! those spelling words.

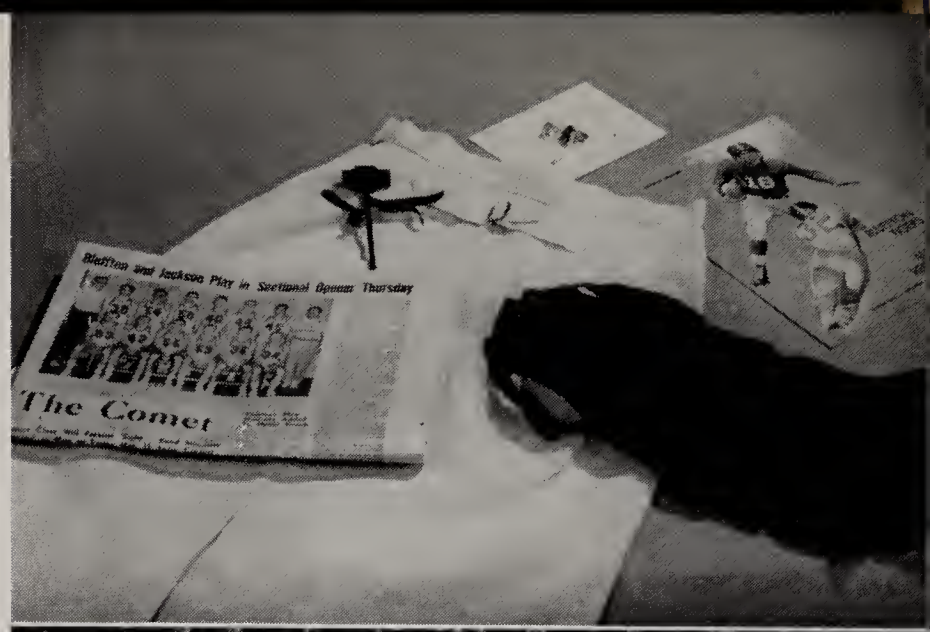
Lower Right: What did you get?

Lower Right: The last steps taken in B.H.S.

A Helping Hand, All the While.

B. H. S. Calendar

Sept. 3	School Opns
Oct. 25-26	Teachers Association
Nov. 2	Y-Teen Banquet
Nov. 9	Senior Class Play
Nov. 22-23	Thanksgiving Vacation
Dec. 21	11:00 A. M. Dismiss for Christmas Vacation
Dec. 27-28	Holiday Tourney—Here
Jan. 2	School Opens after Vacation
Jan. 11	First Semester Ends
Jan. 13	Winter Band Concert
Jan. 14	Second Semester Begins
Feb. 28	
Mar. 1-2	Sectional Tourney
Mar. 9	Regional Tourney



Dear Diary, I Remember When . . .

Mar. 15	Junior Class Play
Apr. 19	Easter Vacation
Apr. 26	Hi-Y Banquet
May 3	Y-Teen Mother Party
May 17	Junior-Senior Reception
May 19	Baccalaureate Services
May 20	Athletic Award Picnic
May 21	Senior Class Day 8:15
May 22	8:00 P.M. Commencement Exercises
	Dr. Russel J. Humbert—Speaker

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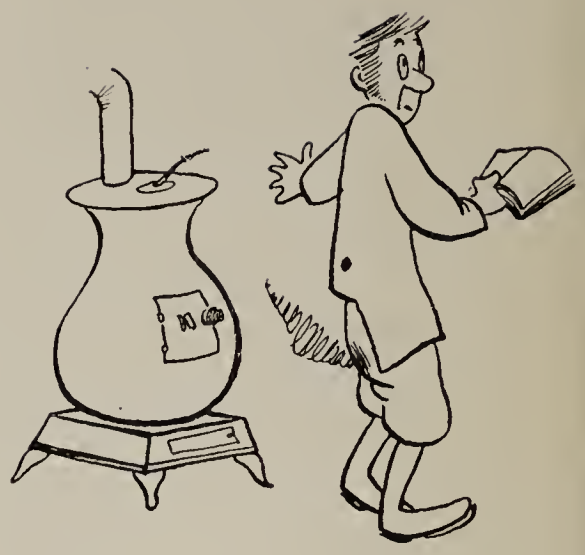

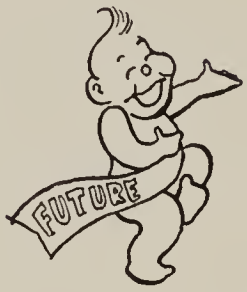
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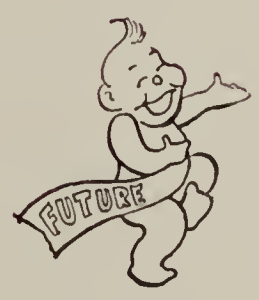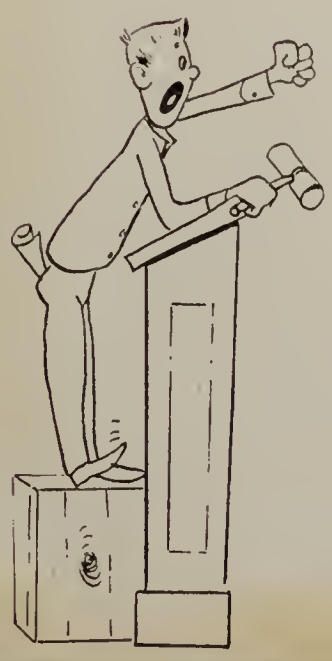
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